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LETTERS SENT BY THE DIRECTOR AND THE SUPERINDENTENT OF THE MINT, 1866-1900

Mar. 3, 1879 - Jan. 24, 1880

Box 9 NC-152 Entry 6

# OFFICIAL

# LETTER BOOK

# No. 4

A. Loudon Snowden

Supt

From Nov' 8th 1879

To Jan'y 24th 1880.

Nov. 8th 1

Thursday Evening, 74 Pearson St. Newport

Dear Mrs Thurston,

Sure am the three Platt boys.

C. Gordon Thurston

Supt.

Telegram

8th Nov 9

Hon: Horatio C. Burchard; Director of Mint, Washington D.C.

Impossible to prepare ~~[illegible]~~ Thomas medal within time named. Have no design of statue; could not cut if had within the time. could make die without statue, within time specified, if telegraphed at once.

A. London Snowden
Superintendent

Open Court here.

Nov. 8th 79

Sir.

I have the honor to enclose the Coiner's report of Coinage executed at this Mint during the week ending Nov. 8th, 1879.

Very respectfully.

Your obedient servant.

Gordon Brooks

Superintendent

Hon. Horatio C. Burchard

Director of the Mint.

Washington D.C.

Nov. 8th 79

Sir,

I have the honor to inform you that on the 6th inst. I forwarded to the Supt. U. S. Mint at San Francisco, Cal. a box containing the following dies, being part of the requisition made in your letter of Oct. 20th 1879.

Double eagle ~~Obv. 10 rev. 10~~ St. Silv. Dollar Obv. 10 rev. 10

| | | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| Eagle | 10 | 5 | Half | " | 5 |
| Half eagle | 10 | 5 | Quarter | " | 5 |
| | | | Dime | | 5 |

for use during 1880. The remainder of the order will be filled as soon as possible.

The receipt of Adams' Express has been forwarded with the letter of advice to the Supt. of the Mint.

Hon. Horatio C. Burchard, Very respectfully yours,

Director of the Mint.

Washington D. C.

Loudon Snowden

Superintendent.

November 8th 79

Sir.

I have the honor to acknowledge the receipt of remittance #75 of Gold bullion from your office. as per letter of Dec 4th statement of 6th inst.

Very respectfully.
Your obedient servant.
Landon Ludlow
Superintendent.

Calvin J. Cowles. Esq.
U. S. Assayer.
Charlotte. N. C.

Nov 8th 79

Sir

Your letter of the 7th inst (J. K. K.) enclosing Transfer Check No 15331 for $340.00 has been received and the same amount in 5% Bonds will be forwarded to Havana Nat'l Bank, Havana, Ill, in a few days, as requested

Very respectfully
Your obt Servt
Loudon Bunker
Superintendent

Hon. James Gilfillan
Treasurer U. S.
Washington
D. C

Nov. 8th 9

Sir.

You will please deliver to the Melter & Refiner, three hundred (300) ounces of silver coin.

Very respectfully yours.
Reuben Tyler
Superintendent.

A. L. Boileyhell, Esq.
Coiner.

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Unofficial

8th Nov. 1

My dear Preston

I write informally to you because I do not desire to trouble the Director in the midst of the preparation of his report, to say, that if you can expedite the matter of supplementary distances by the Adams Express Company, sent on Oct 18th and now in the hands of the Auditor you will confer a favor. The Company is very anxious to have its accounts settled. A word from you to Mr Reynolds is all that is necessary

I am

Very truly your friend

A Lincoln

8th. Nov. 9

Sir,-

I have the honor to enclose the official oaths of Philip Deitel and William S. Peel, recently appointed to the respective positions of laborer, and Assistant Engineer in the General Department, of this Mint

Very respectfully
Your Obedient Servant
Reuben Lowndes
Superintendent

Hon Horatio C. Burchard
Director of the Mint
Washington
D.C.

Mint Nov 9

Sir;-

In reply to yours of the 8th. inst. I beg to say that we have no ordinary Coinage in halves, quarters, and dimes, of this year. I expect to have some before the end of the present month and if you desire, will forward them to you when Coined

I am
Very respectfully yours
R. M. Snowden
Superintendent

Thomas Cotton Esq
Superintendent of the Assay Office
New York

November 10th 79

Sir.

I have the honor to enclose Mems. #506, & B/D. No. 2461 of the asst. Treasurer U. S. at Philadelphia, Pa. for #57.98 subsidiary silver coin, being the value of remittance of #62.75 mutilated 3's & 5's silver pieces, received by registered mail, as per your letter of advice of 6th inst.

Very respectfully,
Your obedient servant.
Lyndon Smith
Superintendent.

Hon. James Gilfillan,
Treasurer, U. S.
Washington.
D. C.

November 10th 79.

Sir.

I have the honor to enclose: Statements of Gold & Silver of Domestic Production deposited during October 1879: & of Deposits & Purchases of Gold & Silver bullion during the same month.

Very respectfully.

Your obedient servant.

Louis Simmon

Superintendent.

Hon. Horatio C. Burchard.

Director of the Mint

Washington D. C.

Nov. 10th 79

Sir.

I enclose the receipt of Adams Express Co. for a sealed box forwarded to your address this day, containing the following dies for 1880, in accordance with the requisition of the Director of the Mint, October 27th 1879.

| | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| Half eagle | obverse | 5 | reverse | 5 |
| Standard Silver dollar | " | 5 | " | 5 |

Very respectfully,

Your obedient servant,

Landon Snowden

Superintendent.

James Crawford, Esq.
Supt U. S. Mint,
Carson, Nevada.

November 10th 79

Sir.

I have this day forwarded by Adams Express to the Superintendent of the U. S. Mint Carson, Nevada, a sealed box containing the following dies. for 1879, being in full for your requisition of Oct. 27th 1879.

| | | |
|---|---|---|
| Half eagle | 5 obverse | 5 reverse |
| Standard Silver dollars | 5 " | 5 " |

The Express receipt has been sent to the Superintendent of the Mint, with the letter of advice.

Very respectfully yours.

Horatio C. Burchard.

Director of the Mint.

Washington, D. C.

Superintendent.

November 10th 79

Sir.

I have to acknowledge the receipt by Adams Express, of a package containing fine gold & silver in payment for test coins sent from this Mint for months of July, August, September ~~Octo~~ error ~~ber~~, 1879.

Very respectfully,
Your Obedient Servant.
[signature]
Superintendent.

Thos. L. Acton, Esq.
Supt U.S. Assay Office.
New York.

10 November 9

Hon. Horatio C Burchard – Director of Mint
Washington D.C.

The total cost of one thousand Thomas medals in block tin including dies, will be fifty five dollars. Shall I proceed

A. London Snowden
Superintendent

Government rates

10th Nov.r 9

Sir;-

During my recent visit to Washington you were kind enough to state that the proper officer of the Treasury Department, had decided that Copper for the Standard Silver dollar could be purchased by you and paid out of the appropriation for its Coinage.

Would you be good enough to give me the same in writing to place upon our files?

I now write to say that during my brief absence of three days in Richmond an order was issued for the purchase of twenty thousand pounds of copper from Pope Cole & C. of Baltimore, at the rate of twenty one and a half cents (21½ cts) per lb., amounting in the aggregate to four thousand three hundred dollars

($4300.-). This bill with one other one unpaid amount-
ing to Three thousand six hundred dollars ($3.600.-)
gives us an aggregate sum of say Seven thousand nine hun-
dred dollars ($7900.-) to be paid out of our incidental ac-
count, which is a very serious drain upon it.

Can you not assume these bills and pay direct
at Washington under authority of the act referred
to and charge to account before named? We are
greatly in need of relief in this direction.

I am very respectfully,
Your obedient servant,
Gordon Mowday
Superintendent

Hon. Horatio C. Burchard
Director of the Mint
Washington
D. C.

Nov. 10th 79

Sir.

I draw this day Check No. 1101 favor Howard Shanks for $13.63 (29 1102 " J.H.H. Bellyman & Co 46.05.33 in payment for Silver Bullion

Very Respectfully

Horace Brooks
Supt

Hon. Thos. Hillhouse
Asst. Treas. U.S.
New York

November 11th 79

Sir.

I have the honor to enclose (Nem. 1510. of Gold bullion received from the U. S. assay office at Charlotte, N. C. Value $1088.67.

Very respectfully.
Your obedient servant.
Reuben Rowley
Superintendent.

Hon. Horatio C. Burchard.
Director of the Mint,
Washington D. C.

November 11th 79

Sir.

I have the honor to enclose Mem. #1510. being of remittance $75 from your office.

Very respectfully.
Your obedient Servant.
Benjamin Sanders
Superintendent.

Calvin J. Cowles. Esq.
U. S. Assayer,
Charlotte, N. C.

Nov. 11th 67

Sir

I draw this day Check No.
1103, favor J. D. Colgate & Co- for $47.892.86
1104, " Laidlaw & Co. " 24.000.
1105 " Jos. H. Seligman " 10.000.
in payment for Sales Bonds.

Very Respectfully
A. Louden Snowden
Supt.

Hon. Thos. S. Kellogg
Asst Treas. U.S.
New York.

Nov. 11th 9

J. B. Colgate & Co.

New York

6th inst 9

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London Bankers

Received

Nov. 11th 9

Stanley Carnish

Nova Scotia

30th Nov 9

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London Lumber

Personal

11th. Flor 9

My dear Mr Randall

I am in receipt of your note in relation to the pay of Mrs. Matilda Dallas Scott, and in reply beg to say that Mrs Scott is receiving the same compensation as is paid all our female employés. I know the compensation is small, and it has always been a source of regret to me that it is so, and yet the pressure upon me for appointments even at these low wages is terrific.

All the female operatives in the mint, with the exception of Miss Dallas - a daughter of the late Vice President Dallas - are employed in the adjusting and Coining rooms. On account of her delicate health

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She was placed in the Cabinet but receives no more compensation than the Ladies in any other portion of the Mint. If it were possible I would be glad to increase Mrs Scott's Compensation, but it is beyond out of my power to do so

I am with respect

Very truly Yours

A. Loudon Snowden

Superintendent

Hon. Samuel J. Randall

Bethayn

Chester Co

Pa

November 11th 79

Sir.

I have the honor to enclose the Assayer's report upon a Standard Silver dollar, sent as test coin for special assay, from the Mint at New Orleans, La. for November, 1879.

Very respectfully,
Your obedient servant,
A. Loudon Snowden
Superintendent.

Hon. Horatio C. Burchard,
Director of the Mint,
Washington, D.C.

Nov. 11th 79

Sir.

I have the honor to enclose the Assayer's report on the Standard Silver dollar, sent for special Assay from the U. S. Mint, New Orleans, La. for November, 1879.

Another St. Silver dollar is returned herewith.

Very respectfully.
Your obedient servant.
A. Loudon Snowden
Superintendent.

Hon. H. R. Foote.
Sup't U. S. Mint,
New Orleans,
La.

11th Mor. r 9

Sir,

I have the honor to return herewith letter of Thomas Gadsden, Cashier of the Merchants National Bank, Savannah, Ga., with the statement, that the coin shipped to that bank on the 18th day of October, was delivered to the Express Company direct from the scales of the Mint, where it was weighed, after having been counted in the presence of six persons. No bag could have been short a single piece, without the knowledge of at least four of these six persons.

From this you see that the shortage complained of must have occurred after the coin left this institution.

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This is the first complaint of shortage in the shipment of Standard Silver Dollars since the Coinage of the same commenced in this Mint.

I have the honor to remain
Very respectfully yours
S. Loudon Snowden
Supt

Hon: James Gilfillan
Treasurer of the U.S.
Washington
D.C.

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Letter to Samuel B. Brewster Copied in the Miscellaneous Book No 4 page 91 by mistake.

No 128 79

Sir;

I have the honor to enclose herewith my a/c of Ordinary Expenses for the Month of October 1819.

I am

Very Respy Yours

Rob Crowley

Supt

Hon'ble C. Bancharel

Director of the Mint

Washington

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2 Nov 1865

Sir,

I have the honor to inform you that I have received
Checks - viz;

| Date | Amount | Favor |
|---|---|---|
| 1103 | $ 5,350.00 | Sandlow & Co |
| 1107 | $ 1,653 | J.W. Belgrave & Co |

Both payable in Old Silver Dollars or their
Silver Value in Gold

I am

Very Respectfully

Your Obt Servt

Boudan Saunders

Capt Thos Wellhouse
Asst Com Subs
Dept

November 12th 79

Sir.

I have the honor to enclose the Statement of Silver purchased at this Mint from Nov. 3rd to Nov. 8th, 1879.

Very respectfully.
Your obedient servant.
Roman Sommer
Superintendent.

Hon. Horatio C. Burchard.
Director of the Mint.
Washington. D.C.

13th. Nov. 79

Sir;-

I have the honor to endose herewith in Conformity with your letter of the 12th. inst., bills of Mess. Pope, Cole, & Co. of Balt.e of Copper delivered to this Mint to be used in the Alloy of the Standard Silver Dollar, with an accompanying Certificate as to their Correctness"

I beg to remain

Very resp.y Your obt. Servt.

Boudon Smedley

Superintendent

Hon. Horatio C. Burchard

Direct.r of the Mint

Washington

D.C.

13th. Nov. 79

I hereby certify that the Bills of Messrs. Pope, Cole, & Co of Baltimore, amounting to Seven thousand nine hundred dollars ($7900.) for Copper delivered to this Mint, to be used as alloy in the Standard Silver Dollar are correct. The Copper was purchased at the lowest Market price, and weighed on delivery and found to be correct

Reuben Harden
Superintendent

November 13th 79

Sir.

I have the honor to enclose the following Reports:

1. Gold workings during September, 1879.
2. Silver workings during October, 1879.

Very respectfully,
Your obedient servant.
A. Loudon Snowden
Superintendent.

Hon. Horatio C. Burchard.
Director of the Mint.
Washington, D.C.

Nov 13th 79

Laidlaw & Co

New York

6th inst 9

Invoice
Five Hh
Value 1059

25410.75
25351.91
29382.86

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Form 26.

Treasury Dept.
Office of Treasurer U.S.
Washington, D.C. 1879

Sir:

I have received your statement of my disbursing account dated October 31/79 and find the balance therein reported to be $

I have also examined the register's list and amounts of the debts [illegible] and find the same agree with my records.

Very respectfully,

Leuton Sawtelle
Asst

Assistant Treasurer U. S.
New York, N. Y.

Nov 1879 77

Sir,

As requested in your favor of 12th inst I have this day debited your Exchange Account with $4913.17 as a "Transfer of Funds" to the loss by recoinage of Silver Coins, as per Ctf. #846 of date Sept 23, 1879

Regretting that this item was not omitted from the Ex. at the proper time

I am

Very Respectfully Yours

Lawson Sharpless

Chief

Hon. John Sherman

Sec'y of the Treasury

Washington

DC

March 19. 9

Sir

In pursuance of orders of this office from the Board of the 12th inst. I have the honor to [illegible] copies of Applications by you, praying Grants of Land in Western Canada, with the Plans referred to therein and a Map shewing the Boundaries of such Locations you will select as aforesaid. When duly executed, I am to desire that you will return the Plans to be countersigned and delivered when I may be [illegible]

them to me, to be forwarded, with my approval, to the Director of the Mint, for payment by the Treasury of the Treasury, and my estimate appropriation.

Very Respectfully
Your obt Servt
Gordon Norrie
Asst

O. B. Zabriskie Esq.
Coiner.

copy also sent to
James C. Booth Esq.
Melter & Refiner.

13th November 79

Sir;

I have transferred John C. Stiles from the position of Gatekeeper in the General Department of the Mint, to that of Conductor in the same Department, at the rate of Three dollars and fifty Cents per diem, to take effect upon Confirmation.

I have also appointed John Stewart an assistant in the General Department of this Mint at Three dollars per diem, to take effect upon Confirmation, and respectfully submit the same for approval under section #3504 of the Revised Statutes

Very Respectfully
Your Obt Servt.
Linderman
Superintendent

Hon. Horatio C. Burchard
Director of the Mint
Washington D.C.

Treasury Department,
Nov. 13th, 1879.

Sir: (1) Penalty stamps

(Signed) Stuntevant
Chief [illegible] sion of Stat

Nov. 14th 79

J. L. [illegible] Supt.

Nov. 14th 1879

Sir.

I draw this day Check No. 1108 to the order of Handy & Lonsdale, for $18,000 — in payment for Cabinet Bullion

Very Respectfully

John L. Leconte.

Acg. Supt

Hon. Thos. D. Tillinghast

Asst. Treas. U.S.

N.Y.

14th Nov. 17

Sir;-

In reply to your communication of the 12th. inst. I have to inform you that uncurrent silver coins sent to this Mint are paid for at their bullion value, which is now 1.16 per oz. fine

At this price a Mexican dollar is worth about 91 ¢.

Trade dollars can probably be sold to brokers at a higher rate than their bullion value as they still circulate in some parts of the Country

Very respectfully Your
J. L. Taylor.
Acting Superintendent

Mr. F. Campbell
Charleston
S.C.

14th. Nov. 79

Sir:-

I have the honor to transmit memorandum No. 513, and certificate of deposit, No. 2469 of the Assistant Treasurer of the United States at Philadelphia for Twenty dollars and seventy seven cents ($20.77) being the coin value of remittance of Twenty five dollars ($25.-) mutilated silver three cent pieces, as per your order of advice of Nov. 11th.

Very respectfully
Your obt. Serv't
John L. Lebaron.
Actng Superintendent

Hon. James Gilfillan
Treas. United States
Washington D.C.

Nov 15th 79

Sir;

I have the honor to report the approximate amount of Silver Bullion on hand at the close of business this day to be 1.892.404.38 Standard Ounces; together with 209.000.00 Gross ounces unassayed.

I am

Very Respy Yours
Boudon Smiley
Supt

Hon H. C. Burchard
Director of the Mint
Washington
D.C.

Nov 15th 79

J. & W. Seligman

& Co New York

6th inst. 79

50.293.30

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58.195.14

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Loeser & Schroeder

N.

Nov 15th — 77

Sir

I draw this day Check No. 1109, favr J & H Selegman & Co for $31000-
1110 do Handy & Sons " 18000.
in payment for Silver Dollars

Very Respectfully
M. Roman Disbursing Agt

Hon Thos Hillhouse
Asst Treas U.S.
New York

November 15th 79

Sir.

I have the honor to enclose the Coiner's report of Coinage executed at this Mint during the Week ending Nov. 15th, 1879.

Very respectfully,
Your Obedient Servant.
Burdon Smedley
Superintendent.

Hon. Horatio C. Burchard.
Director of the Mint.
Washington D. C.

San Francisco 18th 79

Sir.

I have the honor to acknowledge the receipt of Draft No. 8871, on Treasury Warrant No. 2814, for $34,800 for the expenses of this Mint during the current month, & for Parting & Refining Bullions.

Very respectfully.

Your obedient servant.

Horace Gundley

Superintendent.

Hon. James Gilfillan.

Treasurer U.S.

Washington.

D.C.

Brandon Smedley

15th. Nov.r 79

Sir;-

The Thomas Medalettes are completed and will be shipped to you this morning by Express; and should reach you early on the morning of the 17th. inst.

I enclose herewith bills which I have had made out in the names of Mr. Barber for the manufacture of the dies and medalettes; also Adams Express receipt

Hoping that they will give satisfaction,

I am very respectfully,
Your obedient Servant,
Boyd & Hurley
Superintendent

Hon: Horatio C. Burchard
Director of the Mint
Washington D.C.

Nov. 1st 79

Sir

I draw this day Check No. 1111 favor Handy & Crowe for $50.800.69 1112 do Jos. W. Seligman & Co. $925.90 in payment for Silver Dollars.

Very Respectfully
Lovell Rounds
Supt.

Hon. Thos. Hillhouse
Asst. Treas. U.S.
New York

Mem 1765 77

Sir,

I have the honor to report the "Bullion Fund" at the close of business on the 15th inst at £7,181,547.445: Subdivided approximately as follows viz:

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|---|---|
| Gold Coin | £840.170.50 |
| " Bullion | 1.846.899.94 |
| Silver Coin | 2.614.113.66 |
| " Bullion | 1.881.363.35 |
| Total as above | £7.181.547.445 |

Sam

Very Respt Yours

Hon H. B Buckland
Director of the Mint
Washington
D.C.

at Philadelphia 18[illegible] 77

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| | Supplies | 26141166 |
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| | | |
| | Supplies and stores | |
| | Stock on hand | 5371674 |
| [illegible] | | 26141166 |

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Washington
DC

London Romulus

Sir

Please draw your Warrant for Order for Fifty thousand (50.000.) Dollars, to reimburse you for Cash advanced from your Redemption Fund as mentioned.

Very respectfully
Your Obedt Servt
Supt.

Hon James Gilfillan
Treasurer U.S.
Washington
D.C.

17th. Nov. 1

Sir;

I have the honor to enclose herewith in conformity with your letter of the 8th inst. bills for gloves, mits, and aprons used exclusively in the coinage of the Standard silver dollars - for payment in the manner designated in the Correspondence with your office,

I have the honor to remain
Your Obt. Servt
S. London Mendenhall
Superintendent

Hon. Horatio C. Burchard
Director of the Mint
Washington
D.C.

18th. Nov'r 79

Sir;

The work of the Carpenter's shop is so far in arrears in the manufacture of boxes, and in the general repairs and work of the institution, that I have found it necessary to appoint James O. Holgate as a carpenter in the General department of this Mint at a compensation of three dollars per diem, to date from confirmation; and respectfully submit the same for approval, under section 3504 Revised Statutes.

When the pressure is relieved I will reduce the force

Very respectfully
Your obt Serv't
A. Loudon Snowden
Superintendent

Wm. Horatio J. Pinchard
Asst of the Mint
Washington D.C.

18th Nov. 79

Sir;-

I have appointed you assistant in the General Department in the Mint at a Compensation of Three dollars ($3.-) per diem.

I enclose a blank oath of office which you will please execute before a Notary Public and bring with you, reporting for duty tomorrow morning at 9 O'clock

Very respectfully

Lorenzo Lowrie

Superintendent

Mr. John Stewart
No. 414 S. Fifteenth St
Phila.

November 18th 79

Sir.

I have the honor to enclose the Statement of Silver purchased at this Mint from November 10th to 15th, 1879.

Very respectfully.
Your obedient servant
London Ormsby
Superintendent.

Hon. Horatio C. Burchard.
Director of the Mint.
Washington D.C.

November 18th 77

Sir.

In conformity with your letter of 17th inst. I forward by to-day's mail a package containing Samples of all the Blank forms, & a specimen book of all Books &c. used in this Mint.

Very respectfully,

Your obedient servant,

Horatio Bouchard

Superintendent.

Hon. Horatio C. Burchard,

Director of the Mint,

Washington,

D. C.

Nov. 18th 9

Sir.

I draw this day check No. 1113 favor C. H. Rude & Co. for $6,000 - in payment for Silver Bullion.

Very Respectfully

A. Loudon Snowden

Supt

Hon. Thos. J. Hillhouse

Asst. Treas. U.S.

New York.

Novr. 18th 9

J. & W. Seligman

& Co. New York

6th inst 9

47.670.65

47.595.96

#1.1595 55.187.52

London Branch

18th Nov. 9

Hon: James Gilfillan Treas. U.S. Washington

Have not received transfer letter No 31. Numbr marked blank on our books

A. Loudon Snowden
Sup. U.S. Mint

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Letter to Burchard of abve dat
Copied by error in Miscellaneous Book
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1862. Nov'r 19

Sir;-

In reply to yours of the 12th. inst. in relation to receiving foreign gold coins, deposited at the New York Assay office, without having been melted at that office; and further requesting that I should suggest in what way the Coins could be forwarded &c. &c., I beg to suggest; first, that the Coins can be shipped in bags as received at the Assay office, the bags being placed in boxes screwed up and sealed. This was the mode in which similar shipments were received in 1861 and 1862.

In the receipt of Coin in this way the New York Office will have to settle with the depositor and us upon our weight and fineness. The shipping here will occasion a slight loss - and

more however than it would in New York — and will vary according to the cleanliness of the coin.

From past experience we can state that the French Coins will run about .899 fine, British coin from .915½ to .916½. Lately we received a lot that allayed but .915 and a fraction, too low to add a half. The fineness depends a little upon whether such coins are of old date or new, or coined chiefly, as seems to be the case of late, in Australia.

In settling with depositors, at the New York office, there would have to be a margin remain, very small, say of one dollar and a half a thousand to cover loss in melting and variation from the

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Standard fineness. The loss in melting should be practically but loss in dirt. Our grains will be gotten up very closely, care being taken in all our manipulations. In most cases but small samples of the coin will be melted, unless reasons present themselves for a different course. The adjustment and settlement to the last cent can always be made in a day or two at furthest. As the large purchases will no doubt come from sources where counterfeits, if any, have been culled out by experts, the New York office could make the preliminary settlement with safety, with the reservation of one and a half dollars per thousand to be adjusted very soon after.

The test could be made and the practical working of the system would very

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soon illustrate whether there was any advantage a disadvantage in shipping in coin rather than in bars. It would seem that shipping in coin would be a saving of one melting and would be an economy not only in labor but in loss of bullion

Very respectfully
Your obedient Servant
Loudon Snowden
Superintendent

Hon. Horatio C. Burchard
Director of the Mint
Washington
D. C.

18th Nov. 79

Sir;

I have had you transferred from the position of gatekeeper to that of Conductor at a compensation of three dollars and fifty cents per diem. You will report for duty to Thomas Crosby.

I am glad to be able to make this transfer, and hope you will prove acceptable in the discharge of your new duties.

I am respectfully yours

A. Wadsworth
Superintendent

Mr John W. Stiles

1881 Nov. 19

Sir;

I have the honor to enclose herewith, in conformity with your letter of the 12th inst. bill for charcoal used exclusively in the coinage of the Standard Silver Dollar - for payment in the manner designated in the Correspondence had through your office -

I remain very respectfully,
Your Obt Servant
A. Loudon Snowden
U.S. Superintendent.

Hon Horatio C. Burchard
Director of the Mint
Washington
D.C.

Sir.

I have the honor to enclose No. 3 of the table of distances to new towns, to which Silver has been sent from this Mint, since the last table was transmitted, (October 18th).

Will you have the kindness to submit the same to the Auditor for examination, and return, as in the former cases.

Very respectfully,

Your obedient servant,

Roberts Preston

Superintendent.

Hon. Horatio C. Burchard,
Director of the Mint,
Washington, D.C.

Nov. 17th

Sir.

I have the honor to enclose No. 3 of the table of distances to near towns. Another Cabinet has been sent from this Office to the last table was transmitted. (

Will you have the kindness to submit the same to the Auditor for settlement and return, as

Very respectfully,

Your obedient servant

Hon. Horatio C. Burchard, Superintendent
Director of the Mint.
Washington D.C.

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19th Nov'r 79

Sir:-

I have the honor to enclose herewith - in conformity with your letter of the 12th. inst. - bill, for Borax Soap - used exclusively in the Coinage of the Standard Silver Dollar; for payment in the manner designated in the Correspondence had through your office

Very respectfully
Your Ob't. Serv't
Lorenzo Coombs
U.S. Superintendent

Hon Horatio C. Burchard
Director of the Mint
Washington
D.C.

20th Nov'r 79

Sir:-

I have the honor to enclose herewith receipt No 22, of Adams Express Company for Thirty five (#35) Dollars, in gold and silver, Special Assay Coins, transmitted to you this day

I am

Very respectfully Your
obt Servt
Boreman
Superintendent

Thomas A. Acton Esqr
Sup't U. S. Assay Office
New York City

Nov. 30th 1

Sir.

I draw this day Check No. 1116 Favr. J. H. Seligman & Co. for $6436.71 in payment for Silver Bullion.

Very Respectfully
London Murdock
Supt

Hon. Thos. Hillhouse
Asst. Treas. U.S.
New York.

204 Nov. 9

Thomas C. Acton, Supt. U. S. Assay Office
New York City

Sent statement of gold shipped this morning, by tonight's mail.

A. Loudon Snowden
Supt.

Government Rate

Ath. Nov. 19

Sir;-

I have the Honor to enclose herewith - in conformity with your letter of the 12th inst. bills for Check Cloth and Duck Gloves, used exclusively in the Coinage of the Standard Silver Dollar, for payment in the manner designated in the Correspondence had through your office;

Very respectfully
Your obedient Servant
Robert Patterson
Superintendent

Hon Horatio C Burchard
Director of the Mint
Washington
D.C.

21st. Nov'r 79

Sir;-

I have the honor to enclose the oath of office of John Stewart, recently appointed assistant in the general department of this Mint

Very respectfully
Your Obt. Servt
R. Gordon Snowden
Superintendent

Hon: Horatio C. Burchard
Director of the Mint
Washington
D.C.

21st Nov. 79

Gentlemen,

I herewith return you the receipts received with your letter of this morning to which you will please affix your signatures,

Very respectfully yours,

Lucius Tuttle

Superintendent

Wm L. & W. Telegraph Co

New York

21st Nov. 79

Gentlemen;-

In reply to yours of the 19th. inst. I beg to say that Mexican Dollars generally average in weight 416½ grains each, or 869 ounces to the thousand dollars. The fineness runs from .900 to .903. Old coins are not over .900 fine; new, generally .902

I am
Very respectfully
A. Loudon Snowden
Superintendent

Messrs Gilmore & Co
Bankers
Cincinnati
Ohio

November 21. 9

Dear

Acknowledging the receipt this morning of your letter of the 12th inst with its enclosed vouchers, I have the honor to transmit, herewith, my individual check, to your order, on the Philadelphia National Bank for $23.75/100 in full of the Express charges paid by you on 5 of the rabbits you received from the Hunt.

Very Respectfully
Your obdt Svt
A. Loudon Snowden
" Supt

E. W. Knight, Esq
Cas. First National Bank
Helena, Montana

Nov. 21st 1

Gentlemen.

I enclose Check No. 1118 to your order for Seventy two Thousand ($72.000.) Std. Silver Dollars, payment on a/c Silver Bullion.

Very Respectfully
Louis Rinaldo
Supt.

Messrs J. D. Colgate & Co.
47 Wall St.
New York

Novr. 21st 9

Gentlemen:

I enclose Check No. 1117 to your order for Forty Six thousand (46.000) Std Silver Dollars, payment on a/c Silver Bullion.

Very Respectfully
Yours
London Smedley
Supt

Messrs. Handy & Conner
Am. Ex. Nat. Bank
New York

Nov. 21st 1

Sir

I draw this day Check No. 1117, favor Handy & Promise for $46.000.
1118, " J. B. Colgate & Co. 72.000.
in payment for Tobacco Duties.

Very Respectfully
S. Gordon Hurdley
Dupt.

Hon. Thos. Hillhouse
Asst. Treas. U.S.
New York

21st Nov. 77

Sir;

Respectfully referring to a letter from this Mint, dated 23rd Oct., enclosing duplicate receipted bills for Eleven dollars and thirty cents ($11.30) of William Sellers & Co. for steel cogwheels ordered for the United States Assay office at Helena, I have to state, that one of the members of the above firm called this morning to say that they had not yet received a remittance for the bill referred to,

Very respectfully
Your Obt Svt.
A. Loudon Snowden
Superintendent

Hon Horatio C. Burchard
Director of the Mint
Washington D.C.

21st Nov. 79

Sir,

I desire to call your attention to the manner in which the gold shipped to this Mint, is invoiced and placed in boxes. The numbers are mixed through all the boxes, & do not run in regular order as they should do, so as to facilitate their proper handling in this Mint.

Will you be kind enough to have the gold packed primarily in conformity with the invoice, so that as little trouble may be occasioned as possible? We have been half a day trying to arrange the numbers here, which, if regularly boxed, could be done without trouble in an hour.

Please delay forwarding the balance of the bars, until you hear from me;

I am very respectfully,
Your obt. Servt.
Superintendent

Hon. Thomas P. Acton
Supt. U.S. Assay Office
New York City

21st Nov. 1879

Sir

I have appointed H. F. Wilson, Night-watchman, and Joseph M. Hill, blacksmith, in the General Department of the Mint, the former at a Compensation of Two dollars and twenty (five) cents per diem and the latter at a Compensation of Three dollars per diem, to date from Confirmation and respectfully submit the same for approval, under Section 3504 Revised Statutes

Very respectfully
Your Ob. Svt
A. Loudon Snowden
Superintendent

Hon. Horatio C. Burchard
Director of the Mint
Washington
D.C.

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Nov. 22d 79

Sir.

In the payment of your Transfer Order No. 8971 for $ 50,000. on Reissue 7/c. there was $ 13.000- in Silver Certificates. These the assistant Treasurer in this city declined to receive, demanding legal tender note, although expressing a willingness to take National Bank Notes.

Under what Law or Regulation of the Department is the Assistant Treasurer acting in thus declining to take Silver Certificates on the above mentioned Order? If he is acting advisedly, am I to refuse to receive from the Public these Silver Certificates, deposited

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on Sec. of Mint Coins? If he is acting in accordance with Law and Regulations in refusing, and I am required to take Silver Certificates in payment for mint Coins, where am I to get my legal tender notes from to pay future Transfer Orders on this Off.?

It may be added in this connection, that my Ordinary Expense Drafts upon the Asst. Treasurer, are partially paid in these very Certificates, which that Officer declines to receive from me as above stated.

I have the honor to be,
Very Respectfully
Your Obt. Servt

Hon. Jas. Pefillan
Secretary of the Treasury
Washington DC

Nov 22d 79

Sir,

I have the honor to report the
approximate amount of Silver Bullion on
hand at the close of business this day
to be 2.024.1144.11 Standard Ounces;
together with 126.900.00 Gross ounces
in transit.

I am

Very Respy Yours
Gordon Mumby
Supt

Hon H.C. Burchard
Director of the Mint
Washington
DC

22d Nov. 79

Sir;-

I have this day forwarded to you by Adams Express Company a box containing the following dies for your Mint, for the year 1880, as per orders Oct. 27th. and Nov. 4th 1879 - leaving ten pairs of Standard Silver dollar dies of Nov. 4th. 1879 to be sent hereafter -

| | | |
|---|---|---|
| Eagle | Obverse 5 | Reverse |
| Half Eagle | " 5 | " 5 |
| Standard | " 10 | " 10 |

Very respectfully Yours
London Morrow
Superintendent

Hon: Henry J. Foote
Superintendent U. S. Mint
New Orleans La.

22nd Nov'r 79

Sir:-

I have the honor to endose the Coiner's report of Coinage executed at this Mint during the week ending 22nd. Nov. 1879

Very Respectfully
Your Obt. Servt
A. Loudon Snowden
Superintendent

Hon Horatio C. Burchard
Director of the Mint
Washington
D. C.

Nov. 24th 9

Sir.

I draw this day the following Checks

No. 1119 favor Laidlaw & Co. for $40,000.

" 1120 " Henry Smith " $1,463.05

" 1121 " J. S. Colgate & Co. " 16,911.17

in payment for Silver Bullion.

I am,

Very Respectfully

Your Obt. Servt.

London Purdy

Supt.

Hon. Wm. S. Hillhouse

Asst. Treasurer U. S.

New York

Nov 24th 79

Sir;

I have the honor to report the "Bullion Fund" at the close of business on the 22d inst at $6.800.643.45 ; Subdivided approximately as follows, viz

| | |
|---|---|
| Gold Coin | $1.128.884.00 |
| " Bullion | 1.421.268.75 |
| Silver Coin | 2.373.686.08 |
| " Bullion | 1.876.804.62 |
| Total as above | $6.800.643.45 |

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Very Respy Yours
Edwin Burley
Supt

Hon. H. C. Burchard
Director of the Mint
Washington
DC.

Nov. 24th 9

Henry Lowndes

New York

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New York

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Nov 25th 79

Sir

In compliance with instructions in your letter of the 18th of October last, I this morning, delivered to Messrs Williams Wilson & Co, Philadelphia, Pa, Seventy five (75) Congressional Medals of Honor with Anchors and Stars complete and enclose herewith my duplicate receipts & Bills for the same against the Navy Department amounting to $2762

Very respectfully

Superintendent

Hon Horatio C. Burchard
Director of the Mint
Washington, D.C.

Nov. 25th 9

Laidlaw & Co.

New York
20th inst 9

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Yours truly

Draft 250 7

Sir,

I have on you this day therefrom
check's, viz.

| Draft | Amt. | Payee. |
|---|---|---|
| 1122 | $1193225 | Lindsay & Co |
| 1123 | 3000.00 | Bowker & Davenport |
| 1124 | 20,000.00 | J. W. Seligman & Co |

(All payable in Gold Silver Bonds for Silver Bullion purchased)

Yours

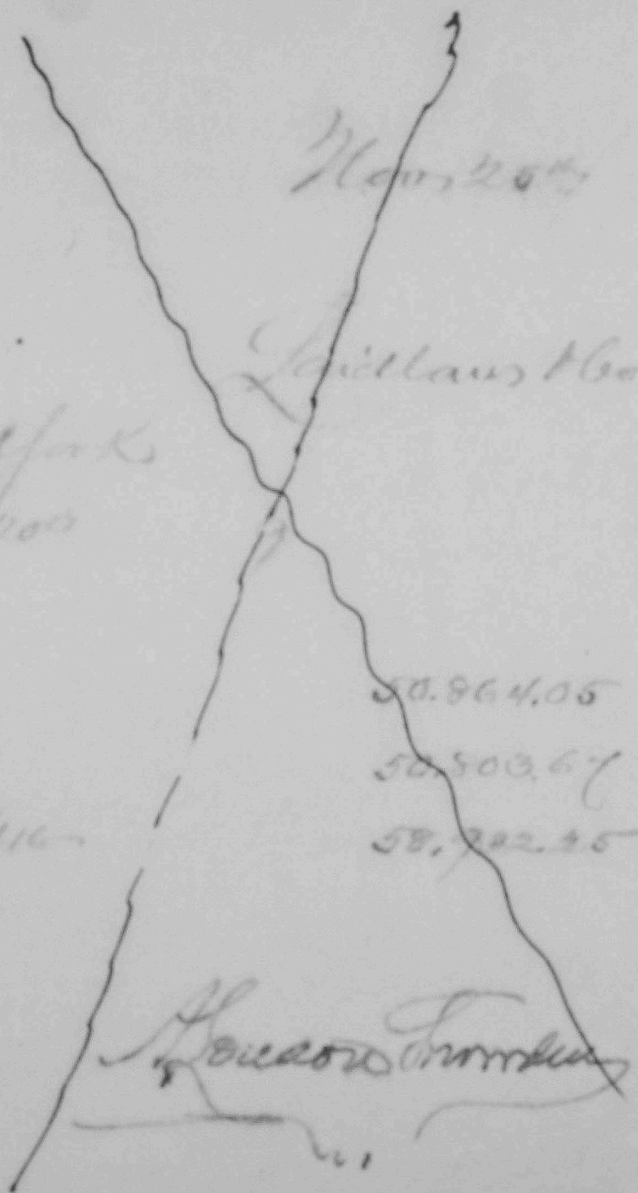
(Your Respt Servt)

Susan Sherman

Supt

(Hon Thos Hillhouse
Asst Tr U.S.
New York)

Voir au page 105.



25th Nov. 79

Sir

I have the honor to acknowledge the receipt of your letter of the 24th inst. and also a package containing samples of ore belonging to the Hon. Joseph Jorgensen, which you have forwarded to this Mint for assay. A statement of the result will be forwarded to you as soon as ascertained.

Very respectfully
Your Obt. Svt.

[illegible]
Superintendent

Hon. Horatio C. Burchard
Director of the Mint
Washington
D.C.

25th. November 79

Sir,

I have to acknowledge the receipt of a package of bars from your Office as advised in your letter of the 24th. inst., I will have the same melted and assayed, and have their value returned to you in due course, as requested

Very respectfully
Your obt. Servant

Superintendent

Hon. Horatio C. Burchard
Director of the Mint
Washington
D.C.

25th. Nov'r 74

Sir;

Referring to my letter of the 21st. inst. appointing H. F. Wilson to the position of night-watchman in this Mint, I beg to say that by a clerical error, his compensation was made to read, "Two dollars and seventy cents per diem," whereas it should have been Two dollars and seventy five cents ($2.75) per diem.

I would thank you to correct this error and create the compensation Two Dollars and seventy five cents ($2.75) per diem, and confirm the appointment at this increased rate,

Very respectfully,
Your Obt. Servt

Theodore Norris
Superintendent

Hon. Horace C. Burchard
Director of the Mint
Washington
D.C.

25th. November 79

Sir;

Complaint having been made by the Omaha Smelting and Refining Co. as to our assay of Silver sold the Government through Mess Handy & Cronise of New York, it has been suggested by that firm that slips from these bars be furnished to make a test of the accuracy of the Mint Assay.

I shall decline to allow any test of that kind to be made by any private firm, but write to know whether you can see any objection to my suggesting to them our willingness to allow the assay office at New York to test the accuracy of

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the Mint Assays.

The Smelting Company at Omaha writes in the most confident, self-asserting, way, and that they are in error, there can be no doubt, as I have had the matter very carefully and thoroughly investigated

Awaiting your answer before replying to Standy & Cronise.

Very respectfully
Your Obt. Servant
Loudon Snowden
Superintendent

Hon: Horatio C. Burchard
Director of the Mint
Washington

Telegram

26 th. Nov 9

Hon: W. C. Bouchard . Secretary of the Treasury, Washington

Rumor here that Counterfeit gold is discovered in the treasury. Is there any truth in the rumor? answer at once

Government Gate

A. London Saunders
Superintendent

Sir

Your letter of the 20th inst enclosing
Draft No 88,999 for $65.00 in payment of
Bill for One gross Pen Cutting Machines,
Case and Engraving Tools has been received at this
Office on the 18th inst, for which I remain

Very respectfully
Your obedient Servant
Reuben Morrison
Superintendent

B. F. Kimball Esq
Chief Clerk U. S. Life Saving Service
Treasury Department
Washington
D. C.

Nov 20: 9

Sir

Enclosed I forward Certificate of Deposit from First National Bank, Milwaukee, Wis for $500.00 payable to your order but sent to the Mint for return in Mint Coins.

Please endorse the Certificate and return it to this Office.

Very respectfully Your
Obedient Servant
Gordon Mowbray
Superintendent

Hon James Gilfillan
Treasurer U. S.
Washington
D. C

Nov 26th 7

J. H. Seligman

& Co. New York

13th inst 7

5% in 5.75

5% 0 80.7/8

5% in 83.52

Yours

Nov. 26th 7

Sir.

I draw this day Check No. 1125 favor J. & W. Seligman & Co. for $5.046.92 in payment for Sch. Pauline.

Very Respectfully
Howard Binsley
Supt.

Hon. Thos. Hillhouse
Asst. Treas. U.S.
New York

26th Nov. 19

Sir,-

I have the honor to enclose memorandum No. 1559 of gold bullion received from the United States Assay Office, Charlotte, North Carolina; value $2038.04, for transfer to the bullion fund

Very respectfully
Your obt. Sert
Loudon Snowden
Superintendent

Hon Horatio C. Burchard
Director of the Mint
Washington
D.C.

26th. Nov. 79

Sir:

I have the honor to enclose memorandum No 1559, being remittance No: 76, of gold bullion from your office

Very respectfully Yours

R. Loudon Thrasher
Superintendent

Calvin J. Cowles Esq.
U. S. Assayer
Charlotte
N. Ca

28 November 79

Sir:-

I have appointed you to the position of Night Watchman in the General department of the Mint at a Compensation of Two Dollars and seventy five cents per diem

I enclose a blank oath of office which you will please execute before a Notary Public and bring with you, reporting for duty to Capt. Banks of the Night Watch presenting him this letter as evedence of your appointment

Very respectfully

L. London Snowden

Superintendent

Mr. A. F. Wilson

28 Nov. 79

Sir;

I have appointed you to the position of blacksmith in the General Department of the Mint at a Compensation of Three Dollars per diem

I enclose a blank oath of office which you will please execute before a Notary Public and bring with you, reporting for duty on Monday at 8 O'clock, bringing with you the oath of Office

Very respectfully
Your obt. Servt.
Linderman
Superintendent

Mr Joseph M. Hill
Germantown

28th. Novemb. 79

Sir,-

I have the honor to enclose the oath of office of H. F. Wilson, recently appointed night-watchman in the General Department of this Mint

Very respectfully
Your Ob. Svt.
Loudon Snowden
Superintendent

Hon: Horatio C Burchard
Director of the Mint
Washington
D. C.

28th November 79

Sir;

I have the honor to inform you that I have transmitted to you to day by Adams Express, slips cut from Silver bars, with the request that you will have your assayer make a careful assay of each and report fully on the fineness of the same, returning equivalent of silver. This request I make with the concurrence of the Director who is here

Hoping that I may have a return as speedily as may be convenient

I remain yr. Ob't Serv't

L. Gordon Crosby

Superintendent

Hon: Thomas Acton

Superintendent U.S. Assay Office

New York City

28th. November 79

Sir;

I have appointed you a Carpenter in the General Department of the Mint at a Compensation of Three Dollars per diem.

I enclose a blank oath of office which you will please execute before a notary public, and bring with you, reporting for duty to-morrow morning at O'clock

Very respectfully

Your obt. Servt.
Superintendent

Mr James O. Holgate

29th. Nov. 9

Sir;

You are suspended from duty in this institution until further orders

I am respectfully yours
Duncan Murdoch
Superintendent

Mr: John Martin
Engineer

Nov 27th 1

Sir.

I draw this day Check No 112 to the order of Stanley Uniacke Esq. for £15.000. in payment for School Debentures

Paul Hoy Esqr

Brenton Burnley

Supt

Hon. Thos. Williams
Asst. Treas. to
Nova Scotia

November 29 39

Sir,

Respectfully referring to the en-
closed copies letter from Messrs Robt
Leonard, Hanby, Davis City, Nebraska,
requesting a respite of 2 years for Gideon
Ufer Indictment in the District Court of Iowa
dollars from this date, from Council
Bluffs, Iowa, to Davis City, 200 Miles
Knowing to request you will please
from the Court this direction, on the subject
of your decision, I shall request the
favor of an early answer.

Yours Respectfully

Your Obedt Servt

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24th. November 19

Sir,

At the close of business this day I made the usual monthly count and examination of the monies in the hands of the Cashier of the Mint with the following results

| | |
|---|---|
| Gold | £ 1.538.297.10 |
| Silver | 2.927.515.18 |
| Refining Parting &c. | 1.490.00 |
| Coining &c. regular | 11.993.89 |
| Union Coinage &c. | 101.011.66 |
| Union Coin Exchanged | 5.456.67 |
| " " Re-issued | 30.949.00 |
| " " Redemption | 202.724.28 |
| Total | £4.819.743.38 |

I am respectfully &c. &c. &c.

[illegible]

To The Hon. the Chancellor
Master of the Mint
Downing Street
S.W.

29th Nov'r 79

Sir,

I have the honor to acknowledge receipt of remittance No. 1581 of gold bullion from your office, as per letter of advice and memorandum of 24th inst.

Very respectfully Your
Obed't Servt
Superintendent

Colonel L. Cowles Esq.
U. S. Assayer
Charlotte
N.C.

29th. Nov'r 79

Sir,-

I have the honor to enclose memorandum No 1581, of gold bullion received from U.S. assay office at Charlotte, for transfer to the bullion fund

Very respectfully
Your obt. servt.
Loudon Snowden
Superintendent

Hon. Horatio C. Burchard
Director of the Mint
Washington
D.C.

November 29th 71

Sir.

I have the honor to enclose the Coiners reports of Coinage executed for:

The week ending Nov. 29th, 1879. $

The months ending same date.

Very respectfully,

Your obedient servant,

Louis Eyrich

Superintendent.

Hon. Horatio C. Burchard.

Director of the Mint.

Washington,

D. C.

29th. Nov. 9

Mrs Elizabeth Lare

On and after date, your services will no longer be required in this institution.

Very respectfully,

S. Loudon Snowden

Superintendent

Monday 29th 79

Sir;

I have the honor to report the "Bullion Fund" at the close of business this day to be $15.498.873.99 Subdivided approximately as follows viz;

| | |
|---|---|
| Gold Coin | $ 1.020.467.50 |
| " Bullion | 8.946.111.19 |
| Silver Coin | 2.946.893.17 |
| " Bullion | 2.085.700.13 |
| Total as above | $ 15.498.873.99 |

Yours

Very Respectfully
L. Bowdoin Norvell
Treasurer

Hon W. C. Burchard
Director of the Mint
Washington
D.C.

of Stock June 29th

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Nov 29th 79

Sir

I have the honor to report the
Official Statement of Silver Bullion
Coined at the close of business this day
to Wit $2,167,000.00 Standard Ounces
together with a Seigniorage Ounces

Very Respectfully Your
Obt

Hon W. H. Burchard
Director of the Mint
Washington
D.C.

1st Dec. 79

Sir;

I have the honor to enclose the Assayer's report on the Double Eagle sent for special assay from this U.S. Mint, New Orleans. La. for November 1879.

Another Double Eagle is returned herewith

Very respectfully
Your ob't. serv't
[illegible]
Superintendent

Hon: Hen. J. Foote
Supt. U. S. Mint
New Orleans
La

1st. December 79

Sir;

I have the honor to enclose the assayer's report upon a Double Eagle, sent as test coin for Special assay, from the Mint at New Orleans, La., for November 1879

Very respectfully
Your Obt. Svt.
Edward Kinsley
Superintendent

Hon: Horatio C. Burchard
Director of the Mint
Washington
D.C.

Dec. 1st 79

Sir.

I have the honor to acknowledge the receipt of remittance #78. gold bullions from your office as per letter of advice of 29th inst.

Finding a discrepancy between the actual weight (75.11 oz.) & the weight given in your memorandum (75.22 oz.). I had each bar & the buttons weighed separately. The weights corresponded with the stamps on the pieces of bullions & the aggregate was but 75.11; the error is therefore a clerical one in the addition performed in your office.

Very respectfully.

Your obedient servant

Assistant Superintendent.

Calvin J. Rowles, Esq.
U.S. Assayer.
Charlotte, N.C.

December 1st 79

Sir.

I have the honor to enclose the Synopsis of the Engineer's Log for the month ending Nov. 30th. 1879.

Being respectfully,
Your obedient servant.
A. Landenberger
Superintendent.

Hon. Horatio C. Burchard.
Director of the Mint.
Washington. D.C.

December 1st 77

Sir.

I have the honor to enclose the Statement of Minor coinage operations at this Mint for the month ending November 30th. 1877.

Very respectfully.

Your obedient servant.

A. Loudon Snowden

Superintendent.

Hon. Horatio C. Burchard

Director of the Mint,

Washington D. C.

29th Nov 77

Sir,

I have the honor to enclose herewith in conformity with your letter of 22d inst. bills for the repairs of Copper-Coining Presses used for copper coin, used exclusively in the Coinage of the Standard Silver Dollar, for payment in the manner designated in the Correspondence had through your office.

Very Respectfully

Your Obt. Servt.

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Superintendent

Hon. Horatio C. Burchard

Director of the Mint

Washington

D.C.

15th December 79

Sir,-

I understand that the other Government institutions in this City, propose participating in the parade with the reception to be given to Gen. Grant on the 16th. inst.

Do you see any objection to the employes of this institution joining in the same?

Very respectfully
Your obt. servant
Spencer Baird
Supt.

Hon. Horatio C. Burchard
Clerk of the Mint
Washington
D.C.

1st. December 79

Sir;-

I have the honor to enclose the oath of office of James O. Holgate, recently appointed a Carpenter, in the General Department of this Mint,

Very respectfully
Your ob't. Serv't.
Gordon Tomlins
Superintendent

Hon Horatio C Burchard
Director of the Mint
Washington
DC

1st December 79

Sir,-

The package described in your letter of Nov. 24th. said to contain bars from a newly opened mine in New Mexico, was received, and duly melted. I regret to say that it contains such a very small amount of precious metal, that it would be impossible for us to treat it, in any other form, than simply to pay the money for it, or to return the lump of metal as it comes from the melting pot.

The original weight before melting was, 136.55; after melting 82.65. I examined the mass and found it contained so much lead, we had to put it upon the cupel furnace. After all the manipulations contained 21 parts per thousand in silver, and 1/3 of one part, thousand in gold,

which would yield 1.93 ounces standard
silver and .03 of an ounce standard gold.
What shall I do with it?

Very respectfully
Your obt. Servant
London Ferrell
Superintendent

Hon: Horatio C Burchard
Director of the Mint
Washington
D.C.

2nd Dec. 9

Sir;

Please assign Michael Bailey to the hoisting machine on the Melter and Refiner's side

Very respectfully
Your obt. Servt.
Superintendent

Mr John Maginnis
Engineer

December 2 77

Sir,

I transmit herewith my account
for salary as Marshal of Ohio
for the six months commencing
January 1. 1878, and ending
June 30. 1878.

Very Respectfully
Your Obt Svt

Supt Indian Affairs

Hon. John Sherman
Secretary of the Treasury
Washington D.C.

December 2 77

Sir,

I have the honor to transmit herewith my account for my pay and allowances to this date, for attendance for the use of this Office, for the six months commencing January 1. 1878, and ending June 30. 1878.

Very Respectfully
Your Obdt Svt

Superintendent

Hon. John Sherman
Secretary of the Treasury
Washington D.C.

Decr 2nd 9

Sir

I forward to day by Adams Express the gold and Silver Life Saving Medals that were returned by you on the 21st of Nov' for correction in Engraving.

The corrections have been made and the names now are Sandsbury instead of Landesbury.

Very respectfully

Sumner Increase

Superintendent

Hon Horatio C. Burchard

Director of the Mint

Washington

D. C

2nd Dec'r 79

Sir,

I send by to-day's Express C.O.D. as requested by you Fifteen dollars ($15.00) in halves, and five dollars ($5.00) each, in quarters and dimes, of the Coinage of the current year — 1879.

Hoping they may reach you and be satisfactory —,

I am,

Very respectfully Yours

[illegible]

Superintendent

Hon Thomas A. Acton

Superintendent U.S. Assay Office

New York City

2nd Decemba 79

Sir,-

I have the honor herewith - in conformity with your letter of 12th Nov., bills for Lehigh broken coal used exclusively in the Coinage of the Standard Silver Dollar - for payment in the manner designated in the Circular issued by Treasury Department

Very respectfully
Your Obt Servt
Roland Howard
Superintendent

Hon. Horatio C. Burchard
Director of the Mint
Washington
D.C.

1st December 79

Sir,

I have the honor to acknowledge the receipt of your letter of 29th. ultmo. enclosing Warrants signed by me for gold and silver deposited under the Superintendency of my predecessor, the Hon. James Pollock, and which it is claimed by your office, should have been signed by that officer. On assuming the Superintendency of this institution, I receipted for all the gold and silver in the Custody of my predecessor. Among that, was the amount due upon these warrants. The late Superintendent having received a receipt in full, and I having assumed the responsibility, what right would he have to issue warrants against funds in my hands, for which he was in no

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way responsible, after he ceased to be an officer in this institution. The fact that the deposits were made during the term of service of my predecessor, would seem to carry nothing further with it than that he or his successors in office should pay, when the parties depositing or selling bullion call to receive payment. There is bullion in this institution now, that was deposited twenty years ago, during the Directorship of my uncle, the Hon. James Ross Snowden; the warrants are made out dated at the time of the deposits. The Director of that period is deceased — who shall sign the warrants in this case?

A few years ago similar cases occurred. Warrants that were drawn during the

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directorship of one officer were signed and paid by a succeeding officer.

I trust you will find on a review of the case that these payments were properly made and direct me to return the warrants. There may be precedents to the contrary of which I am in ignorance. If, however, I am overruled in this, I shall endeavor to obtain the signatures of the parties depositing, and have the late Superintendent of the Mint, sign.

Very respectfully
Your obt. Servt
Reuben Moore
Superintendent

Hon: R. M. Reynolds
First Auditor, Treasury
United States Treasury Department
Washington D.C.

Dec. 22 71

Sir.

I draw this day Check No.
1128 favor Handy & Chandler for $47.524.71
1129 " J & W. Seligman & Co. 48.000
in payment for Silver Purchase

Very Respectfully
Your Obt Servt
Linder Comptr
Supt.

Hon. Thos. Hillhouse
Asst Treas U.S.
New York.

2nd Dec. 79

Sir;

I have the honor to transmit herewith a statement of the amount paid at this Institution from July 1st to November 30th 1879, for transportation of silver coin, as requested in your letter of yesterday's date.

Very respectfully

Your Obedient Servt

L. London Norris

Superintendent

Hon Horatio C. Burchard
Director of the Mint
Washington
D.C.

Dec. 8th 19

Sir.

I draw this day, Check No 11130 favor J. & W. Seligman & Co. for $121.205.50 in payment of Silver Bullion.

Very Respectfully

Gordon Burdey

Supt

Hon. Thos. Hillhouse
Asst. Treasurer U.S.
New York

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J. & W. Seligman

& Co

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Hendon Brothers

Dec. 3rd 79

Sir.

I have the honor to enclose for transmission to the Secretary of the Treasury C/D of the Asst. Treasurer at Philadelphia, No. 5090 for $529.01 on a/c of Refinery Charges.

Very respectfully.

Your obedient servant.

London Snowden

Superintendent.

Hon. Horatio C. Burchard.,

Director of the Mint.

Washington, D. C.

Dec. 3rd 79

Sir.

I have the honor to enclose Mem.* 1583 of Gold bullion received from your office as per letter of advice & invoice of 15th ult.

Very respectfully.

Your obedient servant.

Lorain Bowles

Superintendent.

Russell B. Harrison, Esq.

U.S. Assayer.

Helena.

Mont.

Dec. 3rd 79

Sir.

I have the honor to enclose Mem.* 1596 of Gold bullion received from your office being of remittance *78.

Very respectfully,
Your obedient servant.
Superintendent.

Calvin J. Cowles, Esq.
U.S. Assayer.
Charlotte.
N.C.

Dec. 3rd 79

Sir,

I have the honor to enclose Memoranda of Gold bullion

No. 1583 from U.S. Assay office Helena, Mont.

" 1596 " " " " Charlotte, N.C.

The express charges on the first mentioned remittance were paid by the Assayer at Helena.

Very respectfully.

Your obedient servant.

Superintendent.

Hon. Horatio C. Burchard.

Director of the Mint.

Washington D.C.

Dec. 3rd 79

Sir,

I have the honor to enclose the Statement of Silver purchased at this Mint from Nov. 23d — 29th, 1879.

Very respectfully,
Your obedient servant,
Linderman
Superintendent

Hon. Horatio C. Burchard,
Director of the Mint,
Washington, D. C.

3rd December 79

Sir;-

I have appointed William J. Carroll to the position of Night Watchman - to patrol outside of the Mint - in the General department of this institution at a compensation of Two dollars and seventy five cents ($2.75) per diem, to date from confirmation; and respectfully submit the same for approval, under section No. 3504 Revised Statutes

Very respectfully
Your obt. servt
L. London Snowden
Superintendent

Hon: Horatio C Burchard
Director of the Mint
Washington D.C.

3rd. December 79

Sir; -

The importance of having this institution carefully and well guarded is so apparent with the present amount of bullion, and particularly the knowledge of that fact being known among the people, induces me to write through you for a supply of breach-loading Carbines to replace the present clumsy-old fashioned muskets.

Twenty Carbines would answer my purpose. They could be issued by the War department and held here subject to the order of that department. Would you please press this matter to a favorable conclusion?

Very respectfully
Your ob. servant

Horace Mowbray
Superintendent

Hon Horatio C. Burchard
Director of the Mint
Washington D.C.

Dec. 3rd 9

Sir.

The examination of the mineral which was sent with your letter of 1st inst shows that it consists of Iyprites in quartz, with a little carbonate of copper.

It is of no value.

Very respectfully.

Superintendent.

Mr. Jonathan Dingions
Coburn,
Centre Co.
Pa.

3rd December 79

Sir,

I have appointed John D Burnard to the position of Night Watchman in the Grand Department of this Mint at a Compensation of Two dollars and seventy five Cents ($2.75) per diem, I take from Confirmation, and respectfully submit the same for approval, under section Revised Statutes

Very Respectfully

Your Obt. Svt.

Geo Roberts

Superintendent

Hon Scott R. Burchard

Treasury of the Mint

Washington

D C

Superintendents Office
Dec 3rd 1879

The Melter and Refiner is requested to make up the following alloys into ingots for Coining

No 1. for the Gold "Stella"

| | Grams | |
|---|---|---|
| Fine Gold | 600 | 700 Grams |
| Fine Silver | 30 | |
| Copper | 70 | |

No 2 for the "Goloid Dollar"

| | Grams | |
|---|---|---|
| Fine Gold | 76.5 | 1400 Grams |
| Fine Silver | 1183.5 | |
| Copper | 140.- | |

No 3, for the Metric "Silver dollar"

| | Grams | |
|---|---|---|
| Fine Gold | 10.5 | 2500 Grams |
| Fine Silver | 2239.5 | |
| Copper | 250.- | |

Out of each lot the Coiner will cut 40 planchets and return the clippings to the M. & R., who will then hand his account to the Superintendent for the actual gold and silver furnished.

If the M & R has no kilogram weights, the assayer can lend his set - or they may be commuted into troy, if preferred

London Ferrell
Superintendent

See Director's Letter of Dec. 4, 1879
No. 772 & Mint File.

Directions to the Coiner

The mixtures on the opposite page being in three metals, of unusual proportion, an exact previous calculation of thickness cannot be made, but the proper thickness of the strips can be found experimentally by a gradual approach and spoiling a few planchets. Forty pieces of each to be struck

1 The "Stella" or four-dollar gold piece is to weigh 108 troy grains

2 The "Goloid dollar" 216 grains

3 The "Metric Silver dollar" 386 grains, (nearly).

As they are merely patterns, a trifling deviation will be of no importance.

The diameters can be obtained from the Engraver, the dies being now ready

Respectfully
Your obt. Servt
Superintendent

See Director's Letter of Oct 4, 1879 No. 772, in the Mint file.

Dec 3. 9

Sir

Your letter of the 2nd inst enclosing Transfer Check No 15540 for $100.00 has been received and the same amount in 5 per cent will be forwarded to Commercial Bank, Louisiana, Mo, as requested, in a few days.

Very respectfully
Lyndon Swope
Superintendent

Hon James Gilfillan
Treasurer U. S.
Washington
D. C.

Dec 4th 79

Sir:

I have the honor to enclose herewith my Ac of "Refining Expenses" for the month of November 1879

I am

Very Respy Yours

S. Linderman Supt

Hon H. C. Burchard

Director of the Mint

Washington

D.C.

Dec. 4th 79

Sir.

I have the honor to request that the Treasurer of the Mint be asked to transfer $20,000 in $5 pieces to this Mint, in two (?) orders of $10000 each.

Very respectfully,
Your obedient servant
Edward Sharp
Superintendent

Hon. Horatio C. Burchard
Director of the Mint
Washington, D.C.

4th Decemb. 79

Sir;

I have appointed Mrs Maggie Turner as an Adjuster in the Coiners Department of this Mint, at a compensation of One dollar and seventy five cents ($1.75) per diem, to date from Confirmation, and respectfully submit the same for approval under section #3504 Revised Statutes.

The recommendation of the Coiner is herewith enclosed

Very respectfully
Your Obt. Servt.
Linton Swasey
Superintendent

Hon. Horatio C. Burchard
Director of the Mint
Washington D.C.

4th Dec 9

My dear Preston

Enclosed I send will paid gold dollars requested in yours of the 2nd. inst. -

I am very truly yours
Landon Ronaldson

R. E. Preston Esq

4th. Decembr 79

Sir, -

I have the honor to acknowledge the receipt of your letter of the 3rd. inst. and in compliance with your request, have had the dates on the certificates of gold and silver deposits changed.

In relation to my second quarters account in which you point out a shipment of silver to Milwaukee & note that the rate was higher for the distance of 85 miles, I beg to say that the Contract with Adams Express Company extends to Chicago only and the extra dollar was paid to the United States Express Co:. Hoping that this explanation will be satisfactory

I remain very respectfully yo.

Supervising Architect

Hon R. M. Reynolds
First Auditor of the Treasury
U.S. Treasury Department
Washington D.C.

x Reprint after Copying

~~Void~~ Void

5th. December 9

Hon: James Gilfillan Treasurer of the U.S.

Shall we anticipate Transfer Order

4016, ten thousand dollars

Government rate.

O. Loudon Snowden
Supt

Dec 5th 9

Sir.

I drew this day Check No. 1131 for $185.000- and Check No. 1132 for $93.000- both in favor of Messrs. Handy and Fearnie Co's.

I am, Very Respy
Your Obt Servt
Hamilton Fish
Secty

Hon. Chas. Hillhouse
Asst. Treas. U.S.
New York.

5th December 79

Sir;

As I have considerable demand for your report for the present year, would you be kind enough to forward me some copies as soon as it is printed

Very respectfully
Your obt. Svt.
Edwin Forrest
Superintendent

Hon. Horatio C. Burchard
Director of the Mint
Washington
D.C.

5th. December 79

Sir:-

I am advised by the Superintendent of Adams Express Company that a box containing One thousand Standard Silver dollars, directed to "H. J. Miller, Prescott, Mass." remains in the Company's office at Springfield to which it has been returned, no party of that name being found in Prescott, after diligent inquiry.

The shipment was made upon Transfer Letter #461 of date Nov. 24th. Ult°. Please inform me what further directions to give about it.

Very respectfully
Your Obt. Servt.
Gordon Burdett
Superintendent

Hon: James Gilfillan
Treasurer of the U.S.
Washington D.C.

Dec. 5th 79

Sir.

I have the honor to enclose Mem. 532 of mutilated 3ds & 5ts pieces received at this Mint as per your letter of Advice of 2nd inst. with C/D No. 2506 of the U.S. Assistant Treasurer at Philadelphia, for $16,86. being the value of the remittance.

Very respectfully,
Your obedient servant.
Linderman
Superintendent.

Hon. James G. Fillefillan.
Treasurer U.S.
Washington
D.C.

Telegram

6th December 9

Hon: Horatio C. Burchard - Director of Mint
Washington D.C.

Your letter of purchase of silver from Handy & Cronise gives the rate for the 26720 ounces at 114.87 fine. Handy & Cronise state they sold it at 114.86 fine. Please say which is right

Government rate

Telegram

6th. Dec. 9

Hon: Horatio C. Burchard Director of the Mint Washington D.C.

I leave for Washington by limited express this day

Government rate

6th. December 79

Sir

I have the honor to enclose the oath of office of Joseph M. Hill, recently appointed to the position of Blacksmith in the General Department of the Mint.

Very Respectfully
Your obt. Svt
John L. Leconte.
Actng Superintendent

Hon Horatio C Burchard
Director of the Mint
Washington
DC

6th Decr 9

Dear Sir

I enclose herewith oath of office which you will take and report for duty on Monday or Tuesday, when I will have you properly assigned

Very respectfully

John L. LeConte

acting Superintendent

Mr Joseph Carroll

No. 1239 Brinton St

Phila.

Dec. 6th 9

Sir.

I draw this day Check No. 1133 favor Hovey & Comite, for $25.00 — in payment for Silver Medal

Yours,

Very Respy

John L. LeConte.

Asst. Supt.

Hon. Thos Hillhouse

Asst. Treas. U.S.

New York.

6th Dec. 79

Sir;

In accordance with your letter of 1st inst. I have the honor to enclose express receipt and duplicate receipted bills of the U.S. Bunting Co. Lowell, Mass. for #18.— for one post flag ordered for U.S. Mint at Denver

Very respectfully
your obedient servant
John L. LeConte.
Acting Superintendent

Hon: Horatio C. Burchard
Director of the Mint
Washington
D.C.

Dec 6th 79

Sir:

I have the honor to report the approximate amount of Silver Bullion on hand at the close of business this day to be $452.899.68: Standard ounces, together with $27.000 — Fine ounces unassayed

Yours

Very Respy Your

John L. Valentine.

Coining Supt

Hon H. B. Burchard

Director of the Mint

Washington

D.C.

Dec. 6th 79

Sir.

I have the honor to enclose the Coiner's weekly report of coinage executed at this Mint for the week ending Dec. 6th, 1879.

Very respectfully,
Your obedient servant,
John L. Leconte.
acting Supt.

Hon. Horatio C. Burchard.
Director of the Mint.
Washington, D.C.

6th December 79

Sir,

The amount of Standard Silver dollars to be coined at this Mint during the Current Month has been fixed by the Director of the Mint at One Million ($1.000.000) pieces

Very respectfully
Your Obedient Servant
John L. Leconte
Acting Superintendent

O. C. Pashyelle
Coiner

Dec 8th

Sir:

Your letter of the 6th inst. inclosing Transfer Check for $20.00 has been received and a like amount in one cent pieces will be forwarded to you on the 9th inst.

Very respectfully

Your obedient Servt.

Superintendent.

Hon James Gilfillan,
Treasurer Ms. S.
Washington.
D. C.

Dec. 8th 77

Sir,

I have the honor to acknowledge receipt of a box of gold bullion forwarded by Union & Kansas Pacific Express, as per your letter of advice & invoices of 1st inst.

Very respectfully,
Your obedient servant,
Boudon Brinsley
Superintendent.

A. Silver, Esq.
Assayer in Charge.
U. S. Mint.
Denver, Col.

at Phila Dec 6th 79

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From U.S. Washington D.C

L. Loudon Snowden

Dec 8th 79

Sir:

I have the honor to report the "Bullion Fund" at the close of business on the 6th inst at $13.826.541.59, subdivided approximately as follows viz:

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|---|---|
| Gold Coin | $ 1.756.149.250 |
| " Bullion | 7.356.502.21 |
| Silver Coin | 2.210.057.20 |
| " Bullion | 2.503.132.88 |
| Total as above | $ 13.826.541.59 |

I am

Very Respy Yours

S London Snowden

Supt

Hon W. A. Buckner

Director of the Mint

Washington

DC

8th. December 79

Sir,-

I have the honor to request permission to advertise for the supply of, say, fifty thousand pounds (50.000 lbs.) of one cent bronze planchets or blanks for this Mint.

As I presumed on a former occasion the reasons for a similar request, I will omit saying anything further on that point at present, respectfully refer you to that Communication made under date of 26th. September.

I may add that the demand for this coin has increased since that Communication, and should be met. The only way of doing so economically, is, in the proposed purchase of blanks which can be coined without any additional expense for labor, as the force can

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convert the blanks into coin, without any additional hours on account of increased facilities in this branch of our work.

Hoping to have an early reply,

I remain respectfully

Your obedient servant

London Ferrell

Superintendent

Hon: Horatio C. Burchard

Director of the Mint

Washington

D.C.

5th December 79

Sir,-

I transmit herewith thirteen pieces of gold and silver coin from the annual type of the mint of Japan at Osaka, for the year 1878-1879.

Please assay and report upon them as in former occasions.

Very respectfully yours,

Rodolphe Lindau

Superintendent

W. E. Du Bois Esqr

Assayer

Dec 6

Sir:

Your letter of the 6th inst. enclosing Treasurer's Check for $50.00 has been received and to the amount in one cent pieces will be forwarded to you on the 9th inst.

Very respectfully

London Ormsby
Superintendent

Hon James Gillilan
Treasurer U.S.
Washington
D. C.

S.F. December 19

Sir—

As the October a/c of the Adams Express Co: for the transportation of Coin cannot be adjusted until the return of the last book of distances forwarded Nov. 19th., I have the honor to request, that you will kindly have it sent to this Mint, at your earliest convenience

Very respectfully
Your Obedient Servant

Superintendent

Hon: Horatio C. Burchard
Director of the Mint
Washington
D.C.

Dear 9th 1879

Sir

Your letter of the 8th inst enclosing Transfer Check No 15578 for $1,500.00 has been received and $1000.00 in 5s pieces and $500.00 in 1s pieces will be forwarded to you this day by Adams Express, as requested.

Very respectfully

Gordon Norrie

Superintendent

Hon James Gilfillan
Treasurer U. S.
Washington
D.C.

December 9 77

Sir,

On the 29th of November, ultimo, I wrote you requesting instructions with regard to the refunding of $2. Express charges, paid by Messrs. Bell & Leonard, Bankers, Dawson City, Neb. from Council Bluffs, Iowa, to Dawson City, beyond the territorial limits of the United States with the Adams Express Co., for Two Standard Silver dollars forwarded to them from the Mint. Not hearing from you in reply, I beg to ask what disposition I shall make of the claim. Shall I remit the desired refunding as in similar cases heretofore?

Very Respectfully
Your obdt Servt

Hon. H. C. Burchard
Director of the Mint

S. Bridgham Worley
Supt

9th. Decem. 79

Sir;-

If the two transfer orders of ten thousand dollars ($10.000) each, of five cent nickels, asked for in my letter of Dec. 4th. have not been issued; will you have the kindness to request the Treasurer of the United States to issue in place of them, one order of fifty thousand dollars ($50.000-)

If the requisition has already been filled, I would beg that one additional transfer order for thirty thousand dollars ($30.000.-) of five cent nickel pieces, may be issued as soon as possible,

Very respectfully,
Your Obedient Servant,
Loudon Snowden
Superintendent

Dr. Horatio C. Burchard
Director of the Mint
Washington D.C.

9th Decr 79

Sir;-

I have the honor to enclose the oath of office of I. S. Bumm, recently appointed Night Watchman in the General Department of this Mint

Very respectfully
Your Obt. Servant
Lorenzo Lewis
Superintendent

Hon: Horatio C. Burchard
Director of the Mint
Washington
D. C.

Dec 6th 79

Sir

I send herewith five invoices and
certificates for that embarked. Copy of a
communication received from me by
the 1st Auditor of the Treasury re-
allowing a charge for cross bill
dated May 31st 1879, for the trans-
portation of Silver Coin, from Chica-
go to Milwaukee. (May 21st 1879)

It appears that a shipment
of Silver coin was made from this
Mint to First National Exchange
Bank, Milwaukee, the usual Ex-
press Co charging the sum of $4.90
for conveying the same to Chicago, Ills.
& the Central route, viz. 5/10 of one cent

Chicago, Ill. 1 Oct. 1864.

Gen. Meigs, Q. M. Gen.

Sir, I have the honor to report that I found, to Milwaukee, the Coin was carried by the American Express Co. who charged $1.00 for 85 miles - and which sum was included in the bill in question. From the Contract between the Adams Express Co. and the United States, by the 1st Section, it would seem that there is no authority for the charge of the American Express Co, but that the Coin should have been carried through to the destination by your Company at the rate charged to Chicago. I will thank you to investigate the

Subject and if the Statement of the Auditor of the Treasury is found to be correct, I would respectfully request that the Sum over paid, viz- 50¢ be returned to the United Stats.

I am Very Respy
Your Obt Servt
Gordon Morrell
Supt.

F. Lovejoy Esqr
Supt. Adams Express Co
Philada

Dec. 9th 1

Sir.

I draw this day Check No. 11301 to the order of Hawley & Crosby for $51.535.14 in payment for Silver Pencils.

Yours

Very Respectfully

S. Gordon Hawley

Lieut

Asst. Treas. U.S.

New York

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Hendry & Conn Co

New Scotia

5th inst

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Handy & Smith

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Isaac Smith

Dec. 10th 7

Sir.

I draw this day Check No. 1135 favor Hamilton Fish for $22.65 (55) in payment for Seleucia Bullion.

I am,
Very Respectfully
London Borrday
Supt.

Hon S. Thos. Hillhouse
Asst. Treasurer U.S.
New York.

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Handy & Co.

New York

4th inst 9

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London Bankers

Dec. 10th 79

Sir.

I have the honor to enclose the Statement of Silver purchased at this Mint from Dec. 1st to 6th, 1879.

Very respectfully.

Your obedient servant.

Superintendent.

Hon. Horatio C. Burchard.

Director of the Mint.

Washington. D. C.

Dec. 10th 79

Sir.

I have the honor to enclose Memo.* 1630 of Gold bullion received from U.S. Mint at Denver, Col.

Very respectfully.
Your obedient servant
R. Boudon Snowden
Superintendent.

*Hon. Horatio C. Burchard.
Director of the Mint,
Washington, D.C.

Dec. 10th 79

Sir.

I have the honor to enclose Memo.* 1630 for Gold Bullion received from upon Mint. as per letter of advice enclosing invoices of as previously acknowledged.

Very respectfully.
Your obedient servant.
Linson Worley
Superintendent.

H. Silver, Esq.
Assayer in Charge.
U. S. Mint.
Denver, Col°

Dec 10th 9

Sir

In return for the $2 &c forwarded in your letter of the 9th inst, I send herewith one Silver proof set of the coinage of 1879 amounting to $2,94 and enclose the balance ,06 ¢ with the set.

Very respectfully

London Morrow

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Superintendent

Hon Horatio C. Burchard

Director of the Mint

Washington

D. C

10th. December 79

Sir;

I have received a letter (Dec'r 9th) from the Superintendent of the United States Assay Office, New York, desiring me to forward to him before the close of the present quarter, gold coin of any denomination in payment for deposits due that office. The gold coin I have now on hand, viz;

| | |
|---|---|
| Eagles . . . . . | $2.400.000 |
| Half Eagles . . . . | 59.000 |
| Three dollar pieces. . | 153.000 |
| Quarter Eagles . . . | 34.000 |
| | $2.646.000 |

has been coined under your direction to meet the demand upon the Mint by the Treasurer's Transfer Letters and Orders, and I do not feel at liberty to close the

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account with the assay office (amounting to about Two million seven hundred and sixty thousand dollars ($2.760.000) with coin held for the Treasurer

I would also state that some of the deposits due the assay office, have been unpaid some four months.

I have but about One hundred and five thousand dollars ($105.000) in double Eagles, which would be but a small sum to transmit to the assay office on their account.

Awaiting Your instructions I remain,

Very respectfully,

Your Obedient Servant

Gordon Snowden

Superintendent

Hon: Horatio C. Burchard
Director of the Mint
Washington
D.C.

10th December 79

Sir:

I have the honor to enclose the oath of office of William J. Carroll, recently appointed Night Watchman in the general department of this Mint

Very respectfully
Your obedient servant
Linderman
Superintendent

Hon: Horatio C. Burchard
Director of the Mint
Washington
D.C.

Dec. 10th 79

Sir.

I have the honor to enclose the monthly Statements of Deposits & Purchases of Gold & Silver bullions, & of Gold & Silver of Domestic production, during November, 1879.

Very respectfully,
Your obedient servant
Louis Launder
Superintendent

Hon. Horatio C. Burchard.
Director of the Mint.
Washington, D. C.

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10th. December 79

Sir;-

This will be handed to you by William J. Carroll who has been appointed as watchman upon your rolls.

Carroll has been assigned as watchman on the outside of the building thus relieving your force from night duty and enabling them to give all their attention to passing around within the building.

Carroll will report at 10 O'clock at the front door each night, and also in person every hour at the sound of the State House bell, at the same place. He will purchase a whistle and blow some peculiar sound that you may know it, and you can agree upon some signals, in case anything

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suspicious or dangerous may require the calling of your attention or your aid.

Very respectfully Yours
Landon Monroe
Superintendent

Mr William H. Banks
Capt. Night Watch
U.S. Mint

10th. December 79

Sir;-

In reply to so much of your letter as relates to the Three, ~~Two~~ and a half, (and) One Dollar gold pieces, I have to say, that they will be ready for shipment to you within a few days.

I have referred that portion of your letter to the Director of the Mint that relates to the unpaid invoices due you, as much of the gold in our hands is held subject to the order of the Treasurer of the United States.

I hope to receive a reply in a day or two when I will be glad to do the best I can under the circumstances.

I am very respectfully Yours

Gordon Norrie

Superintendent

Hon Thomas C. Acton
Superintendent, Assay Office
New York.

Telegram.

Phila. Dec. 11th 9

Horatio C. Burchard, Director of the Mint.
Washington, D. C.

Half eagles will be ready on Saturday next.

A. Loudon Snowden
Supt. U. S. Mint

11th. December 79

Sir;-

I have the honor to acknowledge the receipt by yesterday's mail of blanks for requisitions of stationery, and I now enclose one of them filled, in accordance with the circulars of instruction which accompanied the blanks.

Very respectfully
Your obedient servant

Superintendent

Hon: Horatio C. Burchard
Director of the Mint
Washington
D.C.

11th December 79

Sir,-

I have the honor to acknowledge the receipt of drafts from your office as follows:-

No 8968 on T/U. No 3016 to Abel Flowers for $56.00

" 8970 on T/U No 3018 " Wm Cooke for $48.30

" 8971 on T/U. No 3019 " Martha Taylor for $50.00

" 8967 on T/U No 3029 for monthy 4= per ser and Refinery $33.800. ——

Very respectfully

Your Obedient Servant

Roman Bowles

Superintendent

Hon. James Gilfillan

Treasurer of the United States

Washington D.C.

12th. December 79

Sir;-

In reply to so much of your letter of the 11th. inst. as relates to the exact amount due from this Mint to the assay office in New York, after making shipment of one million five hundred thousand dollars ($1.500.000.-) I beg to say, that so much of my letter of the 10th. inst. as relates to the balance due New York, must have been overlooked, as I indicated it to you in that letter.

Deducting the amount claimed in yours of the 11th inst. the amount due New York will be one million two hundred and sixty thousand dollars ($1.260.000.

Very respectfully
Your Obedient Servant
Superintendent

Hon: Horatio C Burchard
Director of the Mint
Washington D.C.

12th Dec. 19

Sir;-

I enclose herewith a paper from the Superintendent at San Francisco, which got into my correspondence by error

Very respectfully
Your obedient Servant

Superintendent

Hon Horatio C. Burchard
Director of the Mint
Washington
D.C.

Dec. 12th 79

Sir

I have the honor to enclose the report of the assayer on the Standard Silver dollar sent from your Mint for special assay for the month of December, 1879. It is returned in its place another piece.

Very respectfully.
Your obedient servant.

Superintendent.

Hon. A. S. Foote,
Supt U. S. Mint.
New Orleans, La.

Dec. 12th 79

Sir.

I have the honor to enclose the report of the assayer on the Standard Silver dollar sent for special assay from the U.S. Mint at New Orleans, for the months of December, 1879.

Very respectfully,
Your obedient servant.

Superintendent.

Hon. Horatio C. Burchard.
Director of the Mint.
Washington, D.C.

12th. December 79

Sir

I enclose C/D. No. 5047 of the Ass.
Assistant Treasurer at Philadelphia
for One thousand six hundred and fifty
six dollars and forty Cents ($1652.40) de-
posited Sept. 4th. 1879 as requested by
your letter of 11th. inst.

I regret that by some inadvertence
this paper was carefully filed with the
returned duplicates

Very respectfully
Your obedient Servant

Superintendent

Hon: John B. Hawley
Ass't. Secretary of the Treasury
Washington
D.C.

12th. December 79

Sir;

Respectfully referring to your letter of the 11th inst. directing remittance of $1.500.000 in Eagles to be made to the N.Y. Assay office on a/c of unpaid deposits of Gold bullion, I have the honor to inform you that the total sum due that office is . . . . . $2.763.238.02

After deducting . . . . . 1.421.570.53

which sum will liquidate three deposits due in that account there will be a balance of $1.341.667.49, which may be transferred to the bullion fund of this Mint

Very respectfully

Your Obedient Servant

Boudon Chandler

Superintendent

Hon. Horatio C. Burchard

Director of the Mint

Washington D.C.

12th Dec'r 19

Sir:-

Please draw your Transfer Order for Fifty thousand dollars ($50.000) to reimburse you for Coins withdrawn from your Redemption Fund and reissued

Very Respectfully
Your Obedient Servt

Superintendent

Hon. James Gilfillan
Treasurer of the United States
Washington
D.C.

Dec. 12th 79

Sir.

I have the honor to acknowledge the receipt of nine (9) packages of reports of the Director of the Mint for the fiscal year ending June 30th 1879.

Very respectfully.
Your obedient servant.

Superintendent.

Hon. Horatio C. Burchard
Director of the Mint.
Washington D.C.

(Dec. 12th 67

Sir.

I draw this day Check No.
1136. favr Holbert (Davenport & Co. 9.000.
1137 " J.H. Schigman Pa. 30.000.
1138 " Henry Clews & Co 81.000.
1139 " do. 106.000.
in payment for Sutter Indian
Dft

Very Respectfully

Supt

Hon. Thos. Hillhouse Jr
Asst. Treas. U.S.
New York

12th December 19

My dear Judge,-

I am in receipt of your letter enclosing me one from Mr Charles R Jones in relation to the dismissal of Miss Lane a scrubber in this institution.

In reply I beg to say that Miss. Lane was dismissed for a very grave offence. She had a very patient hearing and the evidence against her was overwhelming. Her retention in this institution would have been injurious to the service and I could not have tolerated it and preserved my self respect.

The insinuation of your correspondent that I am in the habit of dismissing people and refusing interviews is simply

a matter of imagination and without a fact to sustain it.

Mrs. Lane called after she was dismissed and I declined to see her because the case had been heard and there was no reason to change it.

I am respectfully
Your friend and Obedient Servant

Superintendent

Hon: William D. Kelley
House of Representatives
Washington
D.C.

13th. Decemb. 79

Sir;-

I have the honor to enclose herewith copy of communication received from the Frederick Lovejoy, Superintendent of the Adams Express Company in this City, in relation to the Construction placed upon the Contract of Feb 1 st., between Adams Express Company for the Carrying of Silver West of Chicago.

I decline entering into a discussion at present on the subject but submit the letter of the Superintendent as enclosed for your consideration.

The amount involved in the present discussion is very small but other bills which have been paid here must

be construed under the decision now made

Submitting the whole question to your

Consideration

I have the Honor to remain

Your Obedient Servant

Reuben Moody

Superintendent

Hon: R. M. Reynolds

First Auditor of the Treasury

Washington

D.C.

Dec 13th 79

Sir:

I have the honor to report the approximate amount of Silver Bullion on hand at the close of business this day to be 2.721.551.69: Standard ounces: together with 218.000 — Gross ounces, unassayed

I am

Very Respty Yours

A. Bouchonneau

Supt

Hon W. E. Burchard
Director of the Mint
Washington
D.C.

13th. December 79

Sir;

I have the honor to return herewith the United States Assay office Certificate which was sent on to this office as a sample. On examination of it, I find it to be substantially the same as those used in this office

On a more careful review of the whole subject in connection with your letter I am free to confess that I was in error in looking upon the Certificate as a warrant instead of a mere statement of a fact that on such a day so much bullion was deposited in sold, and was valued at such an amount and that a certain amount was due depositor or seller. Therefore think that the

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only way to make a correction of the certificates which were sent to you, is, not to alter the dates, - which would change the time of issue of the certificate - but return them to this office, and have the late Superintendent's signature affixed as part of the record. If you will be good enough to do this I shall take great pleasure in returning them as soon as possible

I remain very respectfully
Your Obedient Servant
R. Gordon Monroe
Superintendent

Hon. R. McReynolds.
First auditor of the Treasury
Washington
D.C.

Dec 10th 78

Sir.

I have the honor to transmit herewith the weekly report of the Coins for Coin manufactured during the week ended this day.

I am

Very Respy

Your Obdt Servt

Supt

Hon. H. P. Burchard

Director of the Mint

Washington

D.C.

Form 16.

Dec. 15th 9.

November 29th

Supt.

15th. December 79

Sir,

In compliance with the request contained in your letter of the 6th., I have had the samples from the pyx of gold and silver coin, and also from bars, from the Japanese Mint at Osaka, carefully assayed.

As the results differ somewhat from those of former annual trials and from those as given in the letter from the Legation of Japan, it may be proper to say, that of the gold samples, triplicate assays were made, each closely confirming the other, and in the melted mass all three were identical. In all cases our figures are higher than those of the Assayer at Osaka, although all within our legal tolerance.

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The averages result of our Comparative assays with those of Japan, establish the reliable character of the work done at the Mint at Osaka, so far as relates to fineness.

The value of the slips, as directed, is hereby returned, and I enclose the schedule of the assay, giving the Japanese assay, as well as the assay of this institution

Very Respectfully

Your Obedient Servant

Gordon Wardlaw

Superintendent

Hon: Horatio C. Burchard

Director of the Mint

Washington

D.C.

Copy

"

Assays of samples from the
Imperial Mint of Japan
December 12. 1879

| | | Assays Japan | U.S. |
|---|---|---|---|
| **Gold** | | | |
| Five Yen | 2 Sept. 1878 | 900.1 | 900.2 |
| " | 4 Dec. 1878 | 900.2 | 900.8 |
| " | 1 Feb. 1879 | 900.0 | 900.5 |
| " | 6 May 1879 | 900.1 | 900.6 |
| Cutting from bar | | 899.8 | 900.5 |
| **Silver** | | | |
| Trade dollar | 27 Aug 1878 | 900.4 | 902.0 |
| One Yen | 3 Oct 1878 | 900.3 | 902.0 |
| " | 14 Dec. 1878 | 900.1 | 902.0 |
| " | 7 Feb. 1879 | 900.0 | 902.4 |
| " | 3 May 1879 | 900.2 | 901.0 |
| Cutting from slip | | 900.1 | 900.2 |
| **Subsidiary** | | | |
| Ten Sen | from disp | 800.5 | 800.7 |
| Five Sen | do. | 799.2 | 798.0 |

W. E. DuBois
Assayer
U. S. Mint, Philadelphia"

Dec. 15th 77

Sir,

I have the honor to acknowledge the receipt of remittance No. 79 of gold bullion from your office, & your letter of advice and memorandum of 12th inst.

I am respectfully,
Your obedient servant,
John L. Leconte
acting Superintendent.

Colonel J. Lowndes, Esq;
Dy. U.S. Assayer,
Charlotte
N.C.

Dec. 15th 79

Sir,

I have the honor to acknowledge the receipt of remittance No. 79 of gold bullion from your office, as per letter of advice and memorandum of 12th inst.

Very respectfully,
Your obedient servant,
John L. LeConte
acting Superintendent.

Rodrigo J. Barnes, Esq;
Ass't. Assayer.
Charlotte
N. C.

Dec. 15th 70

Sir.

I draw this day Check No
1140 favor Handy & Swinton for 20.565.90
1141 " do. " 35.792.25
1142 " J. H. V. Seligman & Co. " 7.028.19
1143 " Wolfe & Davenport " 249.93
in payment for Silver Bullion

I am,
Very Respectfully
Your Obt. Servt.
Hon. Thos. Hillhouse
Asst. Treas. U.S.
New York.

Dec. 15th 79

Sir,

I have the honor to acknowledge the receipt of one copy of each of the following:

Estimate of Appropriations, 1881.

U. S. Treasury Register. July 1st, 1879.

Very respectfully.

Your obedient servant.

Superintendent.

Hon. Horatio C. Burchard.

Director of the Mint.

Washington D. C.

at Phila Dec 1844

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|---|---|---|
| | | 2561 076 50 |
| | | 6076 253 23 |
| | My yr | 1760 709 72 |
| | | 2694 067 83 |
| | | 13105 107 28 |

| | | |
|---|---|---|
| 101 940 — | | 2421 — |
| 2229 980 | | 67 1650 |
| 38765 | | 29207 |
| 2442 250 | | 1434 175 — |
| 150 225 — | | |
| 532 — | | |
| 332 — | | |
| | My yr Bills Rec'd with thanks | 2970 431 |
| 2810 765 | | 1760 709 72 |

Treasury
Washington
DC

Howell Cobb

Dec 15th 77

Sir:

I have the honor to report the "Bullion Fund" at the close of business on the 13th inst at $13.105.107.28 Subdivided approximately as follows viz:

| | |
|---|---|
| Gold Coin | $2.561.076.50 |
| " Bullion | 6.096.253.23 |
| Silver Coin | 1.753.709.72 |
| " Bullion | 2.694.067.83 |
| Total as above | $13.105.107.28 |

I am

Very Respectfully Yours

Thos. [illegible]

Asst

Hon. H. C. Burchard

Director of the Mint

Washington

DC

Dec. 17th 79

Sir,

In conformity with an order from the Director of the Mint, received this day, you will please cause to be coined $500,000 in Half-eagles, as soon as practicable.

Very respectfully yours,
John L. Leborte.
Chief Clerk.
for Supt.

A. L. Bushnell, Esq.
Coiner, -

Dec. 17th 69

Sir

I am in receipt of your letter of yesterday, enclosing Statement of Unpaid Deposits due you from this Mint.

Similar action to that indicated by you was taken by me under date of the 12th inst, and the following Invoices were directed for payment in 1/2 Eagles, viz. No. 18 - $ 817.021.93

" 22 - 244.003.24

" 23 - 860.540.36

leaving the Sum of $ 1.341.667.49

to be transferred to the U.S. Bullion Fund.

Hon. Chas. E. Acton Comptroller

Very Respectfully

Superintendent U.S.A. Office

New York.

S. Loudon Snowden

Supt

Dec 17th 79

Sir.

I forward this day per Express a box containing my bullion &c. for the 3rd quarter 1879.

I am, Sir,

Very Respectfully

London Morris

" " Supt.

Hon. H. Burchard

Director of the Mint

Washington

D.C.

Dec. 1st 79

Sir.

I draw this day Check No. 11444 to the order of J & W. Seligman & Co. for $29,785.60 in payment for Silver Bullion.

Very Respectfully

Your Obt Servt

Boudon Comstock

Supt

Hon. Thos. Hillhouse
Asst. Treasurer U.S.
New York.

Dec. 17th 9

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ing New York
11th inst 9

203.590.10
203.238.24
233.858.15

* 1.1482

London Lowndes
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Dec. 17th 9

Holland Purchase

Port, New York

11th inst 9

11.115.00

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1.476 11.491.93

London Lowndes

Dec. 17th 9

J & W. Seligman

Co. New York

12th inst 9

24.885.70

24.851.49

1.147.0 28.504.66

London Bankers

Dec. 17th 9

J & M. Selig-
man & Co. New York
11th mth 9

33.438.40
33.370.33
38.309.13

+ 1.1480

Lucien Moore

17th December 79

Sir:-

I have the honor to endorse the oath of office Mrs. Maggie R. Turner recently appointed Adjuster in the Comiss department of this Mint

Very respectfully
Your Obedient Servant
Landon Marshall
Superintendent

Hon. Horatio C. Burchard
Director of the Mint
Washington
D.C.

17th December 79

Sir;-

In reply to yours of the 16th. inst. asking — "whether it is possible to receive the thirty-six boxes of gold bullion forming the unpaid balance of Transfer Order No: 8960, for $10.259.394.53" — I beg to say that I will be glad to receive the balance of this order at any time, it may be convenient for your Office to send it

I am very respectfully Your
obt. servt.
Lovell Swan Jr.
Superintendent

Hon. Thomas P. Acton
Superintendent of the Assay Office
New York City

Dec. 18th 69

Sir.

I beg to hand you herewith an extract from a letter received by me this morning from the 1st Auditor of the Treasury, bearing upon the Subject of that Officer's disallowance of a certain charge made by your Company on Silver Coin carried from St. Louis to Milwaukee, and from which you will observe that the disallowance was made under a misapprehension of the extent of your lines in that direction. The charge has been allowed.

I am,

Very Respy.

Londoz Rumley

Supt.

F. Lovejoy Esq.
Supt. Adams E. Co.
Philada.

Dec. 18th 71

Sir,

I have the honor to enclose Invoice # 1163 of Gold Bullion, lying in transitu # 74 marked from your office.

Very respectfully

Your obedient servant

[signature]

Superintendent.

Colonel J. Bowers, Esq.

U. S. Assayer.

Philadelphia, Pa.

Dec. 16th 77

Sir,

I have the honor to enclose Invoice #1600 of Gold Bullion from the U.S. Assay Office at Charlotte, N. C.

Very respectfully,

Your obedient servant

Superintendent.

Hon. Horatio C. Burchard,

Director of the Mint

Washington D. C.

Dec. 15th 79

Sir.

I have the honor to acknowledge the receipt of a box of gold bullions from your office, as per letter of advice & invoices of 6th inst.

Very respectfully.
Your obedient servant,
[signature]
Superintendent.

Russell B. Harrison, Esq.
Assayer-in Charge.
Helena, Montana.

Dec. 18th

Sir.

I send today by Adams Express a box containing the following coins for December, 1879, for Special Assay.

| | | |
|---|---|---|
| 5 | Standard Silver dollars | $5.00 |
| 1 | Half dollar | .50 |
| 1 | Quarter " | .25 |
| 1 | Dime | .10 |
| | | 5.85 |
| 1 | Gold eagle | 10.00 |
| 1 | " half-eagle | 5.00 |
| 2 | " quarter eagles | 5.00 |
| 2 | " $3 pieces | 6.00 |
| | | 31.00 |

The Express receipt is enclosed.

Very respectfully

Thos. L. Elder Esq.
Supt. U.S. Assay Office.
New York.

Superintendent.

Dec. 18th 79

Sir.

I enclose receipt of Adams Express for $245,638,23 in eagles, being in full payment for invoice No. 17 of Gold bullions received from the U. S. assay office at Newyork.

Very respectfully
Your obedient servant.
Landon Ramsey
Superintendent.

Thos. L. Acton, Esq:
Supt U. S. assay office.
Newyork.

Dec. 19th 79

Sir.

I draw this day Check No.
11415 favor Walter & Davenport, for $ 9.000.
11416 " J.B. Colgate & Co. " 67.000.
11417 " J & W. Seligman & Co. " 34.000.
11418 " Handy & Cromelin " 92.000.
in payment for Silver Dollars.

Yours
Very Respectfully
R. Bowden Morris
Supt.

Hon. Thos. Hillhouse
Asst. Treas. U.S.
New York.

Dec. 19th 79

Sir.

In reply to your letter of the 17th inst, referring to certain discrepancies between the Coiner's statement of deliveries for the month of November, ultimo, and the Cashier's daily statement for the same period, I have to inform you that the Coiner's report for the month is correct, ie. $725.100. in Eagles, and $47.850. in 1/2 Eagles, these figures agreeing with the books of the Cashier.

The difference of $50. between the two reports of 1/2 Eagles struck, arises from the fact that this item consists of Proof sets carried into the Cashier's daily statement as

such. The difference of $200.000- may arise from the transcribing of the denominations of Coins from the Cashier's books to the report, the imperfect Character of which renders it liable to be misunderstood, as the printed headings do not correspond to the lines. Hoping the explanation will be Satisfactory,

I am, Sir,

Very Respectfully

Loudon Snowden

Supt

Hon. H. Burchard

Director of the Mint

Washington.

D.C.

Dec. 17th 79

Sir.

I have the honor to enclose the Statement of Silver purchased at this Mint, from December 8th – 13th, 1879.

Very respectfully,

Your obedient servant,

Superintendent.

Hon. Horatio C. Burchard.

Director of the Mint.

Washington, D. C.

Dec. 19th 37

Sir,

I have the honor to acknowledge the receipt of (36) thirty six lbs of gold bullion from the U.S. Assay Office at New York, as per your letter of advice of 18th inst.

Very respectfully,
Your obedient Servant,
Robert Patterson
Superintendent.

Thos. L. Ogden, Esq.
Supt U.S. Assay Office,
New York, N.Y.

1[illegible]. December 19

My dear old Theater

I am in receipt of your
letter accompanying the Journal of Commerce.
I should be glad to have you write this article
if it were possible, but neither [illegible]
on the experiments of the day is worth [illegible]
any interest at the present time.

I am very truly
Your friend and Obedient Servant

[illegible]

Superintendent

Prof. Samuel F. B. Morse
Inventor of the Morse Telegraph
Washington
D.C.

19th December 77

My dear Jeanie,

I am in receipt of your letter re-
commending Miss Green to me. I am sure that I
shall find

[illegible]

[illegible]

[illegible]

Dec. 19th 79

Sir,

I send today by Adams Express #817,021,93 in eagles, being in full payment for invoice No. 18 of gold bullion received from the U.S. Assay office at New York.

The Express receipt (25) is enclosed.

Very respectfully,

Your obedient servant,

Superintendent.

Thos. C. Acton, Esq.

Supt U.S. Assay Office,

New York, N.Y.

19th December 79

Sir,-

On the 31st Oct. I had the honor to write to Mr Harrison, United States Assayer in charge of the Assay office at Helena, Montana, directing his attention to the Character of the bars sent to this Mint from his office. These bars are very brittle, containing iron, arsenic and some lead. The loss in refining, and removing the substances I allude to, should fall upon the depositor and not upon the Government and I so wrote him, requesting that he endeavor in future to remove these deleterious substances

I now write to say that the last received from that

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office on the 17th inst., is in a large measure a repetition of the former conditions of metal, that is, it is very brittle, some bars crystalline, others granular, according as they are embarrassed with various base metals, iron being the chief

It would seem therefore that Mr Harrison has overlooked the suggestions contained in the letter referred to and I therefore direct your attention to the subject, so that steps may be taken by him to avoid future trouble

I have in conformity with regulations, directed that a charge of one half cent per ounce be imposed

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for toughening. I do this as much in the interests of this institution as I do to direct Mr Harrisons attention again in a positive form to this subject

Very respectfully
Your Obedient Servant
Reuben Tyler
Superintendent

Hon Horatio R Dunbar
Director of the Mint
Washington
D.C.

20 Dec 79

Sir;

I am directed by the Superintendent to enquire whether the Lehigh Coal furnished to this institution and used by you, is fully up to its standard in quality.

Please report and oblige

Very respectfully yours

John L. Lebanta.

Chief Clerk

By James C. Booth

Asst. Clerk & Referee

Dec 20th 79

Sir:

I have the honor to report the approximate amount of Silver Bullion on hand at the close of business this day to be $2,705,509.11 Standard ounces together with 181.200.00 gross ounces unassayed.

I am

Very Respt Yours

London Guthrie

Supt

Hon H. G. Burchard

Director of the Mint

Washington

D.C.

Dec. 20th '71

Sir.

I draw this day Check No
1149 favr Laidlaw & Co. for $16.000.
1150 " Handy & Comstock " 23.501.91
1151 " J&W. Seligman & Co. " 8.025.05
in payment for Silver Bullion

Very Respectfully
Your Obt Servt
Gordon Snowden
Supt.

Hon. Thos. Hillhouse
Asst. Treas. U.S.
New York

Dec. 20th 7

Handy & Smith

New York

18th inst 7

101.375.60

101.175.116

11-116 115.501.91

Handy Smith

Dec. 20th '71

Gentlemen:

I enclose Check No. 11049 to your order for Forty six thousand (46.000) Standard Silver Dollars in payment for Silver Bullion.

Very Respectfully
Your Humble Servt.
Loudon Snowden
"
Supt.

Messrs. Laidlaw & Co.
No 10 Pine St.
New York.

Dec. 20th 79

Sir.

I have the honor to enclose the Coiner's report of coinage executed during the week ending Dec. 20th, 1879.

Very respectfully,

Your obedient servt.

[signature]

Superintendent.

Hon. Horatio C. Burchard.

Director of the Mint.

Washington, D.C.

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20th December 79

Sir;

In compliance with the authority contained in your letter of the 11th. inst. I have advertised in the daily editions of the "Press" and "Evening Telegraph" for proposals to furnish fifty thousand pounds (50,000 lbs) of one cent blanks.

In answer to this advertisement contained in the papers for six days, the only bid is of the Benedict & Burnham Manufacturing Company of Waterbury Conn. They agree to supply the amount desired at the rate of Thirty eight cents (38¢) per pound net, delivered at this Mint. This is one cent a pound more than the last bid. In a note accompanying the bid, the firm say that the increase of one cent

per pound, does not cover the advance of virgot Copper from the date of that bid to the present time." When that bid was made, the price of virgot Copper was twenty and a half cents (20½ ¢) per pound; it is to day twenty one & three quarters cents (21¾ ¢) to twenty cents (22 ¢)"

In view of the pressing demand made upon this institution for one cent coin, I hope that this bid will be accepted, and that I may be notified as soon as possible of the same

I am with respect

Very truly Your obedient Servant

Superintendent

Hon: Stanley D. Woodward
Director of the Mint
Washington D.C.

Dec 20th 79.

Sir:

I have the honor to enclose herewith my a/c of Ordinary Expenses for the Month of November 1879.

I am

Very Respy Yours

A. London Murray

Supt

Hon J.C. C. Burchard

Director of the Mint

Washington

D.C.

20th December 79

Sir;

In reply to your enquiry as to the probable Coinage of gold for the present month, in addition to Standard dollars I beg to say that it is probable we will Coin

| | |
|---|---|
| in Eagles | 2.700.000.— |
| " Half Eagles | .625.000.— |
| " Three dollar pieces, Quarter Eagles and one dollar pieces | about 15.000.— |

Do you desire the Coinage of Small gold increased for the next month?

I am very respectfully Your

Obedient Servant

Superintendent

Hon: Horatio C. Burchard
Director of the Mint
Washington D.C.

22nd December 9

Hon: James Guthrie, Secr.y United States Washington DC

Transfer letter No 4532, Dec. 12th for Two thousand dollars, directs us to ship to the First National Bank, Rushville, Indiana. The agent of the Express Company at that place notifies me by to days mail, that said Bank did not order this Coin. Please investigate

Government rats,

A. Loudon Snowden.
Supt. U. S. Mint.

Dec 22 79

Sir

In return for the Draft for $29.00 enclosed in your letter of the 15th inst, I send this day, by Adams Express, ten (10) Silver proof sets of the coinage of 1879.

We have not been able to get any proof sets during the past week or the above would have been forwarded sooner.

Very respectfully

Henry Linderman

Superintendent

Hon Horatio C. Burchard

Director of the Mint

Washington

D. C.

Dec 22d 79

Sir

In return for the $20.00 currency in your letter of the 20th inst, I send by Adams Express, $12.00 in half dollars and $8.00 in quarter dollars of the coinage of 1879, as requested.

Very respectfully

Louis Heaton

Superintendent

Thos. C. Heaton Esq.
Supt. U. S. Assay Office
New York

Dec. 22nd 69

Sir.

I draw this day Check No.
1152 to the Order J. B Colgate & Co, $27.00.32
1153 Do Wolcott & Vanpelt, 2.621.88
1154 Do Laidlaw & Co, 11.320.26
in payment for Silver Eagles.

I am
Very Respectfully
Your Obt Servt
Lucius Hubbard
Supt

Hon Thos. Hillhouse
Asst Treas U.S.
New York

Dec. 22nd

Laidlaw & Co.

New York

18th inst

50.310.30

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Dec 22d 9

J. B. Colgate

& Co. New York

18th inst 9

$2.10 C. 80

$2.1145.50

$1.1110 94 0 70. 32

A. London Comptroller

Dec. 22?

Walter Davenport

New York

18th in St ?

10.852.16

10.181.23

11.621.88

London Bridge

Dec 22d 79

Sir,

I have the honor to report the "Bullion Fund" at the close of business on the 20th inst. at $15.813.726.84, subdivided approximately as follows viz;

| | |
|---|---|
| Gold Coin | $1.452.002.50 |
| " Bullion | 9.178.326.15 |
| Silver Coin | 2.609.880.44 |
| " Bullion | 2.573.517.75 |
| Total as above | $15.813.726.84 |

I am

Very Respy Yours

S. Bolton Burdett

Supt

Hon H. R. Bochard

Director of the Mint

Washington

D.C.

at Phila Dec 20th 79

| | | |
|---|---|---|
| | | 1452 602 50 |
| | | 9178 926 15 |
| | 21/72 — | 2509 880 44 |
| | | 2690 807 75 |
| | | 15 831 726 84 |

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| 1157 60 — | 66 135 26 |
| 32 905 — | 2705 71 |
| 360 250 | 1636 101 — |
| 160 926 — | ——— |
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Treas Mfg's Mint Ex Stk 26

A. Loudon Snowden

Dec 22nd 79

Sir

In compliance with the request in your Letter of the 17th inst, I send this day by Adams Express No. 0.2, 8 Silver Trophies of 1½ oz ea = $12.00

I am respectfully
Your obedient Servant
Superintendent

Chas G. Dale Esq
Asst Q. M. Gen'l Philadelphia

Dec 22nd 79

Sir

In compliance with the request in your letter of the 17th inst. I send the Key by Adams Express C.O.D. 3 Silver Dessert Spoons @ $4.00 $12.00

Very respectfully
Your obt. Servt.
Superintendent

Chas. G. Hale Esq
Asst. U.S. Treasury Office
Chicago Ills.

22nd December 77

Sir,-

I am in receipt of a letter from Col A. Harrison Esqr., Assayer in charge of the United States Assay Office at Helena Montana, under date of December 10th acknowledging the receipt of my letter in relation to the character of the bullion sent from that office to this Mint, in which he promises to do what he can to remedy the defect complained of.

If you have not yet taken any action upon the letter I forwarded to you, of a recent date upon the same subject, please delay it, as I think Col Harrison will do the best he can in the matter.

I wrote that, under the impression he had received my letter and that

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the bullion had been prepared after its receipt; I am now of the opinion that the last bullion was sent before my letter was received,

Very respectfully,
Your obedient Servant
Landon Ronalds
Superintendent

Hon: Horatio C Burchard
Director of the Mint
Washington
D. C.

A similar letter sent to Mr O. C. Beebystell, Conn

23rd Dec 79

Sir;-

During the month of January 1880, besides the allotment of Standard Silver dollars, gold Coinage will be required to the amount of $5.000.000.-, say $2.000.000,-, in Eagles and $3.000.000.--, in Half Eagles

Very Respectfully Yours

John L. Lebonte.

Chief Clerk

M. H. Cobb Esq

Cashier

for Supt

22 Decemb 79

Sir;-

Messrs. Isaac Harris & Co, No 1046 South St. complain that you are indebted to them for part of a bill of clothing obtained two years ago, which you decline to pay. What explanation have you to make to this?

Very respectfully

Thomas Purvis

Superintendent

Mr Thomas Marsh

Dec. 23rd 79

Sir.

I have the honor to enclose Mem. *1681 of Gold bullion, received from U.S. Assay Office, Helena, Montana.

Very respectfully,
Your obedient servant,
London Ormsby
Superintendent.

Hon. Horatio C. Burchard,
Director of the Mint,
Washington D.C.

Dec. 23rd 79

Sir.

I have the honor to enclose Mem.* 1681 of Gold Bullion received from your Office, as per letter of advice & invoices of 6th inst.

Very respectfully,

Your obedient servant.

Superintendent.

Russell B. Harrison, Esq.

Assayer in Charge.

U. S. Assay Office.

[illegible] Montana.

Dec. 23rd 79

Sir.

I enclose receipt No. 26 of Adams Express for $526,647.40 gold coin, in full payment of invoice #19 gold bullion received from U.S. Assay Office at Newyork.

The present remittance is in Eagles.

Very respectfully.

Your obedient servant.

Superintendent.

Thomas L. Acton, Esq.

Supt U.S. Assay Office.

Newyork.

Dec. 23rd 79

Sir.

I forward this day by Adams Express. & enclose the receipt for the same, a sealed box containing the following dies for 1880:

| | | |
|---|---|---|
| Double eagles | 25 obverse | 10 reverse. |
| Standard silver dollars | 30 " | 5 reverse. |

These dies are in completion of the order of October 20th, 1879, from the Director.

Very respectfully,

Your obedient servant.

Superintendent.

H. L. Dodge, Esq.
Supt U. S. Mint,
San Francisco.
Cal.

23rd December 79

Sir;-

Will you be kind enough to obtain from the Secretary of the Treasury's Office and forward to me, as soon as convenient, all circulars of the Secretary of the Treasury, authorizing the Transfer of Gold Coin from this Mint and Assayers

I am very respectfully
Your Obedient Servant
Theodore Kinsley
Superintendent

R E. Preston Esq
Acting Director of the Mint
Washington
D.C.

Dec. 24th 79

Sir.

I have the honor to enclose the Statement of Silver purchased at this Mint from Dec. 15th to 20th, 1879.

Very respectfully,
Your obedient servant.

Superintendent.

Hon. Horatio C. Burchard.
Director of the Mint.
Washington, D. C.

24th December 79

Sir,

The medal clerk did not understand that the proof sets were intended for you personally, and you will have the amount overpaid returned to you.

Hoping that they have reached you safely and in good time,

I remain,

Your truly yours.

Gordon Mendes

Superintendent

Hon Thomas C Acton

Superintendent New York Assay Office

New York City

24th December 79

Sir;—

I have the honor to inform you that invoices Nos. 17, 18, and 19, of Gold bullion received from the United States Office at New York, have been paid in full, in Eagles, in accordance with the instructions contained in your letter of 17th. inst.

Very respectfully
Your Obedient Servant
A. Loudon Snowden
Superintendent

R. E. Preston Esqr
Actuy Director of the Mint
Washington
D.C.

Philada. Dec. 26th 9

Director Mint, Washington, D.C.

Will begin coining half eagles Monday.
next.

Dr. Loudon Snowden
Supt U. S. Mint.

Dec. 26th 79

Sir,

I have the honor to acknowledge the receipt of the report of the test assay of coins of the December issue of this Mint:

Also, by Adams Express, of one package containing gold & silver (fine), in fragment of test coins sent from this Mint, for the months of October, November & December, 1879.

Very respectfully,

Your obedient servant,

Superintendent.

Wm. L. Dodge, Esq.

Supt U. S. Assay Office.

New York.

26th. December 79

Sir;-

In reply to your letter of 24th. inst. I have to say, that it is impossible to make any further remittances of gold coin to the New York Assay office before the close of the year.

It is quite indifferent to us, whether the balance be held as unpaid, to be refunded to your office when the Coin is ready after the 1st of the year, or whether it be transferred by order of the Treasurer of the United States, to the Bullion Fund of this Mint at that time.

If therefore you have any preference for one over the other of these, I should be happy to accede to

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Your views

I am Very respectfully
Your obt Servt
Landon Mordey
Superintendent

Hon: Thomas L. Acton
Superintendent of the U.S. Assay Office
New York

Dec. 26th 77

Sir

I have the honor to enclose the reports of the assays made of twelve (12) samples of ore belonging to Hon. Jos. Jorgenson, duly received as per your letter of 24 November, 1877.

Very respectfully,

Your obedient servant,

Lorain Thorley

Superintendent.

R. E. Preston, Esq.

Acting Director of the Mint,

Washington, D. C.

Copy

" Box 16 87

Hon A Loudon Surveyor

Superintendent &c &c

Sir

The following is the result of assays of twelve mineral samples sent by the Deputy of the Mount-, as per letter of Nov. 24th inst.

| | Silver per ton | Gold per ton |
|---|---|---|
| No 1 | 2 Oz | $\frac{10}{100}$ oz |
| " 2 | 2 " | traces |
| " 3 | 2 " | traces |
| " 4 | 3 " | $\frac{4}{100}$ oz |
| " 5 | 2 $\frac{1}{2}$ " | traces |
| " 6 | 9 " | 2 $\frac{1}{2}$ ozs |
| " 7 | 18 " | 1 " |
| " 8 | 1 " | traces |
| " 9 | 9 " | $\frac{3}{4}$ oz |

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| | Silver per ton | Gold per ton |
|---|---|---|
| No 10 | 2½ oz | trace |
| " 11 | 1 " | trace |
| " 12 | 34 " | 5 ozs |

Very respectfully
W. E. DuBois
Assayer "

Dec. 2nd 67

Sir.

I draw this day Check
No. 1155 favor J. W. Seligman & Co. $43.000.
1156 " Handy & Lowndes 107.000.
1157 " do 94.000.
in payment for Silver Bullion.

Yours.

Very Respectfully
Your Obt. Servt.
London Brown
Cashier

Hon. Thos. Hillhouse
Asst. Treasurer U.S.
New York.

Dec 12th 79

Sir;

I have the honor to report the approximate amount of Silver Bullion on hand at the close of business this day to be $2.652.771.00 Standard Ounces, together with 267.000 fine ounces unassayed

I am

Very Respectfully Your
Obt Servt

Treasurer

Hon W. E. Burchard
Director of the Mint
Washington
DC

Dec. 27th 79

Sir,

I have the honor to report concerning the ore received from your office, as per letter of advice of 20th inst.; which was sent by the Collector of Customs at Indianola, Texas, as having been imported from the Sierras Mojada Mines, Mexico, that two assays have been made, with the following result.

Silver, 54 ozs. per ton of 2000 lbs.

Gold, none.

Very respectfully,

Your obedient servant.

R. E. Preston, Esq.
Acting Director of the Mint,
Washington, D. C.

A. Loudon Snowden
Superintendent.

Dec. 27th 79

Sir,

I have the honor to enclose nine reports as follows:

Bullion operations in the Melting & Refiner's Department of this Mint, for July, August & September, 1879.

Gold melting, for the same months.

Silver melting, " " "

Very respectfully

Your obedient servant.

A. Loudon Snowden

Superintendent.

R. E. Preston, Esq.

Acting Director of the Mint,

Washington, D. C.

Dec. 27th 79

Sir,

I have the honor to enclose the Coiner's Weekly report of coinage executed during the week ending December 27th 1879.

Very respectfully,

Your obedient servant,

Louis Fraley

Superintendent.

R. E. Preston, Esq.

Acting Director of the Mint,

Washington, D. C.

Dec. 27th 77

Sir.

I have the honor to forward to-day by registered mails, a package containing Twelve (12) Knurls for knurling collars. in completion of the order from the Director of the Mint, of July last.

Very respectfully,
Your obedient servant.
Horace Brooks
Superintendent.

Hon. A. S. Foote,
Supt U. S. Mint,
New Orleans,
La.

Dec 27th 79

Sir

When the three Silver proof sets were sent you on the 23rd inst, I was not aware that you desired them for personal use and charged you the regular Mint price, viz $1.25 each. I now take pleasure in returning herewith $3.75 the difference between the intrinsic value of the sets and the price charged.

Very respectfully

Lovard Norton

Superintendent

Thos. G. Yeton Esq
Supt. U. S. Assay Office
New York

27th December 79

Sir;-

You are hereby directed at the earliest possible moment to have the Artesian-bore-pump, repaired; so that it may be in Condition for use.

Yours respectfully
Superintendent

Mr. Samuel James
Foreman Machine Shop

27th December 79

Sir:

I received yesterday, the 26th day of December, a communication from you, dated Oct. 22nd enclosing report of bullion operations in the Melting Department for the quarter ending Sep. 30th. 1879.

I write first to know, why the report was delayed in its transmission; and second, why, having been written and prepared within the last few days, it should be antedated - thus confusing the record, which should at all times be clear and express the truth.

Awaiting your reply

I am respectfully yours

London Worsley

Superintendent

James R. Booth Esqr
Melter & Refiner

27th. December 79

Sir:

I have appointed William J. McConnas as an Assistant in the General Department, to take Charge of the Store-room of the Mint, at a Compensation of Two dollars and seventy five Cents ($2.75) per diem, to date from Confirmation; and respectfully submit the same for approval, under Section 3504 Revised Statutes

Very respectfully
Your obedient Servant
A. Loudon Snowden
Superintendent

Hon Horatio C. Burchard
Director of the Mint
Washington
D.C.

29th December 75

Sir:-

I am in receipt of your letter of 27th. inst., enclosing a new form for the rendition of the Bullion Fund Account each day. Your request will be cheerfully and promptly complied with, but I would respectfully ask, that you will be amend your instructions, as to authorize me to render and transmit the Statement on the day succeeding the transaction of the business to be reported.

This suggestion is made in view of the fact that the Clerical force is already fully occupied with the current daily business of the Office; and a portion of the items for the preparation of the account, are not received until after business hours.

Very respectfully
Your obedient servant
John L. Taborde.
Acting Superintendent

Hon: James Gilfillan
Treas: of the United States
Washington D.C.

December 29 79

Sir

We have to report that under the provisions of section 3549 Revised Statutes, the troy weights ordinarily employed in the transactions of this Mint have been regulated and compared with the series of standard weights corresponding to the standard troy pound of the Mint of the United States, and we certify the same to be correct.

Very respectfully
Your Obedient Servant
Roman Hooker
Superintendent

W. E. Du Bois
Assayer

Hon Horatio C. Burchard
Director of the Mint
Washington
D.C.

Dec 29th 71

Sir.

I draw this day Check
No. 1158 favor J. H. Seligman & Co- 10,708.63
" 1159 " Haney & Comrade 26,419.28
in payment for Stores & Subsist.

Very Respectfully
John L. Lebourtes
Acf Supt

Hon Thos. Hutchinson
Asst. Treas. U.S.
New York.

Dec 29th 9

J. & W. Seligman

& Co. New York

18th inst 9

51.610.45

51.533.72

1 1/2 58.748.11

John L. Lebaron

acting

Dec. 29th 9

Handy & Co.

mile New York,

26th inst 9

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99. 8 C. 60

Amount 113. 89 2. 113

Dec. 29th 9

J. H. Selig—

man & Co. New York

18th inst 9

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32.414. C6

36.985.24

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John L. Lebonte.
acting

30th. December 79

Sir:-

I have the honor to acknowledge the receipt of two packages containing Blanks - "List of Medals" - by to-days mail;

Very Respectfully,
Your obdt Servant,
John L. LeConte.
acting Superintendent

Hon: Horatio C. Burchard
Director of the Mint
Washington
D.C.

Dec. 30th '79

Sir.

I draw this day Check
No. 1160 favr Handy & Coutlee $ 49.000.
" 1161 " Do. 22.830.30
in payment for Sihn Duelion
Scows

Very Respectfully
John L. Lebourg
Actg. Supt.

Hon. Th. S. Hillhouse
Asst. Treas. U.S.
New York.

Recv. 30th 9

Handy & Cromlish

New York

26th inst 9

102. 883. 10

102. 1150. 30

116. 8534. 80

1.1106

Charges 1.21.50

John L. Lebaute.
Act'g

Dec. 30th '67

Sir.

I draw this day Check No. 1162 favr Handy and Cousin for $12.00 54 in payment for Silver Bullion

I am,
Very Respectfully
John L. Leborte.
Actg Supt

Hon Thos. Hillhouse
Asst. Treas. U.S.
New York

31st December 79

Sir:-

I have the honor to enclose the return of furniture and fixtures at this Mint for year ending Dec. 31st 1879. on eight (8) sheets.

Very respectfully
Your Obedt Servant
John R. Linnard
Acting Superintendent

Hon: John Sherman
Sec. Treas.
Washington
D. C.

31st. December 79

Sir;

I have the honor to enclose the Statement of Silver purchased at this Mint from Dec 22nd to Dec 31st.

Very respectfully
Your Obedient Servant
John L. Linderman
Acting Assistant

Hon. Horatio C. Burchard
Director of the Mint
Washington
D.C.

31st December 79

Sir,

I have the honor to enclose the report of the assayer on the Gold Eagle sent for special assay from the U.S. Mint at New Orleans, for the month of December 1879

Very respectfully
Your Obedient Servant
John L. LeConte.
Acting Superintendent

Hon. Horatio C. Burchard
Director of the Mint
Washington
D.C.

31st. December 79

Sir,

I have the honor to endorse the report of the assayer on the Gold bars sent from your Mint for special assay for the Month of December 1879 and to return in its place another piece.

Very respectfully
Your obedient Servant
John L. Leconte.
Acting Superintendent

Hon: H.S. Foote
Superintendent U.S. Mint
New Orleans
La

30th Decemba 79

Sir,

I have appointed you Assistant in the General Department of the Mint, at a Compensation of Two dollars and seventy five (2.75) cents per diem

I enclose a blank oath of office which you will please operate before a Notary Public and bring with you, reporting for duty on Friday morning at 9 O'clock

Very respectfully

Your obt Servt

Superintendent

Mr. William J. McComas.

31st December 79

Sir;-

I have the honor to enclose the statement of old material sold during the quarter ending Dec'r 31st. 1879, & Certificate of deposit of the U.S. assistant Treasurer at Philadelphia, No 5102 for $246.61 being the proceeds of the sale

Please forward the Certificate to the Treasurer of the United States as on former occasions.

Very respectfully
Your obedient servant
John L. LeConte.
Acting Superintendent

Hon. Horatio C. Burchard
Director of the Mint
Washington
D.C.

31st December 79

Sir;-

At the close of [illegible] I made the usual monthly [illegible] of the monies in the hands of [illegible] with the following results;-

| | |
|---|---|
| Gold | [illegible] |
| Silver | 2.[illegible].[illegible].27 |
| Refining & Parting a/c | [illegible].50 |
| Ordinary a/c regular manufacture of Silver Coin | 11.744.40 |
| | 4.957.07 |
| Mint Coinage a/c | 114.847.94 |
| Mint Coin Exchanged | 5.456.67 |
| " " re-issued | 24.926.00 |
| " " redemption | 218.767.56 |
| Total | $ 3.123.112.08 |

Very respectfully your Obedient Servant

John L. Leconte.

Acting Superintendent

Con: Horatio C. Burchard
Director of the Mint
Washington D.C.

31st Dec. 9

Sir:

I have the honor to enclose the Coiners report of Coinage executed for:-
The month ending December 31st 1879
The calendar year ending 1879

Very respectfully

John L. LeConte.
Acting Superintendent

Hon Horatio C. Burchard,
Director of the Mint.
Washington.
D. C.

Dec 21st 79

Sir:

I have the honor to report the "Bullion Fund" at the close of business this day at $14.864.185.05 Subdivided approximately as follows viz

| | |
|---|---|
| Gold Coin | $1,261.058.03 |
| " Bullion | 8.904.847.55 |
| Silver Coin | 2.085.213.80 |
| " Bullion | 2.593.065.67 |
| Total as above | $14.864.185.05 |

I am

Very Respectfully Your
John L. Leborde,
acting Chief

Hon H. G. Burchard
Director of the Mint
Washington
D.C.

2nd. Janry 80

Sir/

I have the honor to enclose the oath of office of William J. McComas recently appointed Assistant in the General Department to take charge of the Store-room of the Mint.

Very respectfully
Your Obedient Servant
[illegible]
Superintendent

Hon Horatio C Burchard
Director of the Mint
Washington
D.C.

Jan. 2nd 80

Sir.

I have the honor to enclose No. 4 of the table of distances to newtowns, to which Silver has been forwarded by the Adams Express Co. from this Mint, since the last table (No. 3) was transmitted, November 19th, 1879.

Will you have the kindness to submit the same to the auditor for examination, and return it to me, as in the former cases.

Very respectfully.

Your obedient servant.

A. Loudon Snowden
Superintendent.

Hon. Horatio C. Burchard.
Director of the Mint.
Washington, D. C.

Jan. [illegible] 80

Sir.

I have the honor to enclose the Synopsis of the Engineer's Log at this Mint, for the month ending Dec. 31st, 1879.

Very respectfully,
Your obedient servant,

Superintendent.

Hon. Horatio C. Burchard,
Director of the Mint,
Washington, D. C.

Jan. 3rd 80

Sir,

I have the honor to enclose the Statement of Minor Coinage operations at this Mint, for the months ending December 31st, 1879.

Very respectfully,

Your obedient servant,

Superintendent.

Hon. Horatio C. Burchard,

Director of the Mint,

Washington, D.C.

2nd January 80

My dear Preston

I enclose as you desire one quarter and one dime of the Coinage of 1879,

And beg to remain as ever

Very truly Your friend

A Loudon Snowden

R. E. Preston Esqr
c/o U.S. Mint
Washington
D.C.

Jan. 3rd 80

Sir,

I have the honor to request an additional supply of copies of the Annual Report of the Director of the Mint, for the fiscal year ended June 30th, 1879.

Very respectfully,

Your obedient servant,

A. Loudon Snowden

Superintendent.

Hon. Horatio C. Burchard,

Director of the Mint,

Washington, D. C.

January 3rd 1

Sir,

Herewith I have the honor to transmit my Report of Coin Deliveries and Assay Coins Covered, for the Quarter ending December 31. 1879.

Very Respectfully
Your Obt Svt
Loudon Snowden
Supt

Hon Secretary of Treasury
Director of the Mint
Washington D.C.

Jan. 3rd 80

Sir.

I have the honor to enclose the Coiner's Weekly report of coinage executed at this Mint during the week ending January 3rd, 1880

Very respectfully,
Your obedient servant,
Loudon Snowden
Superintendent.

Hon. Horatio C. Burchard.
Director of the Mint.
Washington, D. C.

Jany 3rd 80

Sir

I draw this day Check
No. 1163 favr Handy Hunn $5.000
1164 do 26.000
26.000
in payment for Salem Buildg

Jan

Very Respectfully
Your Obt Servt

Supt

Hon Secy of Navy
Washington D.C.

January 3rd '80

Sir:

I have the honor to send herewith [illegible] appointments [illegible] of William Bullens [illegible] as clerks at the close of business this day. [illegible]

Very Respy Yours

London Morley

Asst

Hon H. G. Burnham
Register of the Treasury
Washington
DC

Jan. 5th 9

James Gilfillan, Treasurer U.S. Washington, D.C.

Numbers fifty thirty nine, fifty forty, fifty forty one and fifty forty two Transfer letters were paid Jan. 3rd. Same numbers appear in orders dated January third, received today. Please instruct.

Gov. rates.

A. Loudon Snowden
Supt U.S. Mint.

Jany 6th 80

Sir.

I draw this day Check
No. 1165 favr Handy & Smith, $ 6.755.80
" 1166 " " 23.225.65
in payment for Silver Bullion -

Same

Very Respectfully
A. Barton Hepburn
Supt

Hon. Thos Hillhouse
Asst. Treas. U.S.
New York.

Jany 5th 80

Hanway

Roselle, Union Co

8 Wd wid 80

103.67.71
103.434.52
118.225.65

A.1430

London Purdue

January 5th 80

Handy and

Ironsides, New York

26th Alta. 9

99.499.81

99.809.42

1,1408

113.292.17

A Ronson Ironsides

January 6th 80

Director of the Mint - Washington D.C.

Deliqman No. deliver this morning ninety twelve thousand (12000) Ozp Silver Bullion ovw Dales Record 2nd instant, and want best rates for excess. What action shall I take.

Chgw Govt Rats

A. London Snowden
Supt Assayer
U.S. Mint.

Sir,

I have the honor to enclose the following reports:

Bullion operations in the Melting & Refining department of this Mint, for the month of October 1879

Silver melting for the same month

Very respectfully

Your Ob't Servt

Chas. Hunter

Supt Coining & Melting

Hon. Horatio C. Burchard

Director of the Mint

Washington

D.C.

5th January 80

Sir;

I have the honor to enclose herewith the statement in conformity with Section 3530, of Revised Statutes, in relation to the defacing and destruction of dies for the year ending December 31. 1879 signed by Mr. Eckfeldt as Superintendent, and Mr. Dubois, the Assayer.

The act of Congress to which reference is made only refers to the destruction and cancelling of obverse dies, but as many of the reverse dies were defaced and injured & too unsightly for future use they were also destroyed.

This I believe is in accordance with the spirit of the Statute as well as the literal intents of the terms

Very respectfully Your Obedient Servant

Hon. John Sherman
Secretary of the Treasury
Washington D.C.

A. Loudon Snowden

5th January 58

Sir,

I have the honor to acknowledge the receipt of your letter of 2nd. inst. requiring that $1,350.000 in Standard dollars be coined at this Mint during the month of January, in addition to the demand for gold and minor Coin.

This will require some temporary increase of the force — the work will however be done

Very respectfully
Your obedient Servant

Superintendent

Hon Horatio C Burchard
Director of the Mint
Washington
D.C.

5th January 80

Sir;

I have the honor to enclose herewith the statement in detail of the dies used in the Coinage of 1879, as well as of those destroyed at the end of the year.

I also beg leave to submit a comparative statement giving the number and denomination of pieces coined, with the number of dies used in their production during the year 1878 and 1879.

This statement which is interesting (and is customary I believe in foreign mints, has never been submitted before from any American Mint, and is instructive as exhibiting the proficiency in hardening the dies, as well as the character of the steel employed in the use of the dies as well as still employed in the use of the dies

The number of pieces coined from

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the dies used is largely in excess of any foreign mint to which my attention has been directed

I am Very respectfully
Your obedient Servant
A. Loudon Snowden
Superintendent

Hon: Horatio C. Burchard
Director of the Mint
Washington
D.C.

Jany 6th 80

Sir.

I drew this day Check No. 1107 to the Order of J & W. Seligman & Co for $70,908.13 in payment for Silver Bullion.

I am

Very Respectfully

Your Obt

H. Louis Morris

Supt

Hon. Thos. Hillhouse

Asst. Treas. U.S.

New York

Jan. 6th 80

Sir.

I have the honor to acknowledge the receipt of a box of Gold bullion from your Mint, forwarded by the Pacific Express Co., as per your letter of advice, of 31st ult., enclosing schedule & Express receipt.

Very respectfully,
Your obedient servant,

Superintendent.

H. Silver, Esq.
Assayer in Charge,
U.S. Mint,
Denver, Col.

Jan. 6th 80

Sir.

I have the honor to enclose C/D of the U. S. Assistant Treasurer at Philadelphia, No. 5107. for $ 527.56/100 on a/c of Refinery Charges.

Have the Kindness to transmit the same to the Treasurer of the United States, as usual

Very respectfully,

Your obedient servant,

Superintendent.

Hon. Horatio C. Burchard.

Director of the Mint.

Washington, D.C.

Jan. 6th 80

Sir,

I have the honor to acknowledge the receipt of remittance #80 of Gold Bullions from your office, as per letter of advice & Memorandum of 2nd inst.

Very respectfully yours.

Superintendent.

Calvin J. Bowles, Esq.
U. S. Assayer.
Charlotte, N. C.

Jany 6th 80

J & W. Seligman

& Co. New York

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J. H. Coleman

Co. New York

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7th. January 80

Sir;

Your letter of the 2nd. inst. enclosing a communication from Mr W. A. Bryan regarding the difficulties he has met with in recovering certain medal dies claimed by his brother, as well as the delay in furnishing the medals originally ordered; has been duly received and in conformity with your request, I have the honor to present the following statement of facts.

The dies referred to were prepared by an engraver not connected with the Mint, and were brought to this institution for the purpose of having medals struck therefrom. At the time this order was received the screw press used in the preparation of medals was out of order and away from the Mint on repairs. This fact was stated to the representative

of Mr Bryan. When the press was returned to the Mint one thousand medals were struck under orders and delivered on the 20th. day of June 1865. The dies were designated on our books, and so read, "The North Western Sanitary Fair" dies.

As to the complaint of Mr. Bryan in regard to failure to receive the dies when called for, I beg to submit that the dies held in custody were never asked for, and all inquiries were for "The Chicago Sanitary Fair" dies, of which no record could be found.

Mr Sartain of whom Mr Bryan speaks as having called for ten years, informed me personally that he called at the Mint but once, which I remember was when I was Chief Coiner. He then asked for "The Chicago Sanitary

Medal" dies. On the 29th of last month when Mr Bryan called, he also asked for the Chicago Saint Gaudens Medal" dies. In this instance the Chief Clerk was making a thorough examination for the Centenary Medal" dies, discovered The North West Fair medal" dies, and on directing Mr. Bryan's attention to them, it was discovered that these were the dies that were so long missing.

The case as summed up is briefly as follows:-

The Mint, which is not bound to strike medals for any one, was asked to strike medals at a time when it was impossible for the work to be done owing to the condition of the screw presses. As soon as in a condition to strike, under orders, it did strike, and furnished a thousand

medals. If it was to be for use or for profit to Mr. Bryan the Mint is in no ways responsible for that.

The next point in the case is that the "North Western Sanitary Medals" ties, which were held in custody here, were not delivered because never asked for until the 29th day of December last, and then their identity was discovered by an accident.

In either case I think you will agree with me, that the Government or the Mint is in no way responsible for the financial results of this undertaking.

I am very respectfully

Your obedient servant

[signature]

Superintendent

Hon: Horatio C. Burchard

Director of the Mint

Washington

D.C.

Jan. 7th 79

Sir.

I have the honor to transmit the Statement of Silver purchased at this Mint, from December 29th, 1879 to January 3rd, 1880.

Very respectfully.

Your obedient servant.

Superintendent.

Hon. Horatio C. Burchard.
Director of the Mint.
Washington, D.C.

7th Jan'y 80

Sir,

I have the honor to request that you will forward to this Mint at as early a day as practicable, say, Five Millions in gold bullion

I am very respectfully Your's

Superintendent

Hon: Thomas C. Acton

Superintendent, Assay Office

New York

N.Y.

7th Jany 80

Sir;-

In further reply to your letters of 20th ultm. and 5th inst., I beg to say that the ore forwarded by the Collector of the Customs, at Indianola, Texas, is chiefly an iron ore (hematite), and of course the preponderance in weight is in that metal very largely; in other words, in 2000 pounds of ore there is 574 ounces of silver and no gold, there is also a slight amount of copper and no lead

Very respectfully
Your Obt Svt
Servant
Rowan Whittaker
Superintendent

Hon Horatio C Burchard
Director of the Mint
Washington D.C.

Navy Yard D.C.

Sir

Herewith please find Statement of Medal Fund Account with Vouchers for the Quarter Ending December 31st 1874. Showing a balance in favor of the account of $1549.72.

Very respectfully
Gordon Meredith
Superintendent

Hon Horatio C. Burchard
Director of the Mint
Washington
D.C.

7th January 80

Sir;

A careful test of the large weights used in testing the other weights of this institution, which were originally sent from Washington, proves them to be inaccurate, — in other words, they need adjustment.

Shall I proceed to have them adjusted before the annual assay?

Very respectfully
Your Obedient Servant
Baron Mowlan
Superintendent

Hon: Horatio C. Burchard
Director of the Mint
Washington
D.C.

Jany 8: 80

Sir

Enclosed please find Coiners Report of Medals and Proof Coins for the Quarter ending December 31. 1879, as follows

A. Fine and Standard Gold and Silver used in Manufacture of Medals

B. Copper used in Manufacture of Medals

D. Gold Proof Coins

L. Silver do .

J. Gold Medals

K. Silver do

H. Bronze do.

Also Superintendents Report of Medals and Proof Coins Sold and on hand for same Quarter, as follows,

E. Gold Medals

I. Silver do

G. 1 Bronze Medals
C. Gold Proof Coin
S. Silver do "

Very respectfully
Loudon Snowden
Superintendent

Hon Horatio C. Burchard
Director of the Mint
Washington
D. C

8th. January 80

Sir;

Under the regulations of the department can lawful funds be deposited at the Assistant Treasurer's at New York and the Transfer Draft be directed for its payment at the Assistant Treasurer in Philadelphia?

Several of the banks are interested in this question. A desire to use gold coin, and the expense of expressage from New York is a serious item.

I am Very respectfully yours.

Edson Rhodes

Superintendent.

Hon: James Gilfillan
Treas: of the United States
Washington D.C.

Ph. January 80

Sir;

In pursuance of the nomination of the Melter and Refiner herein enclosed, I have appointed, James C. Smith a native and resident of the State of Pennsylvania as a Melter in the Melting and Refining Department of this Mint at a Compensation of Two dollars and 90/100, per diem, to date from confirmation and respectfully submit the same for approval under Section 3504 Revised Statutes

I am Very respectfully

Your Obedient Servant

Horatio Burchard

Superintendent

Hon: Horatio C. Burchard

Director of the Mint

Washington D.C.

Jan. 8th 80

Sir.

I have the honor to enclose Mem. #31 of Gold bullions, being for remittance No. 80 received from your office.

Very respectfully
Your obedient servant.
Loudon Snowden
Superintendent.

Calvin J. Cowles, Esq.
U. S. Assayer,
Charlotte, N. C.

Jan. 9th 80

Sir.

I have the honor to enclose Mems:

#31. Gold bullion from U.S. Assay Office, Charlotte N.C.

#33. " " " U.S. Mint, Denver, Col°.

Very respectfully,

Your obedient Servant.

R. Preston Loudon

Superintendent.

Hon. Horatio C. Burchard.

Director of the Mint.

Washington D.C.

Jan. 9th 80

Sir.

I have the honor to enclose Mem.# 33 of Gold bullion received from your office, as per letter of advice & invoices of Dec. 31st, 1879.

Very respectfully.

Your obedient servant

Superintendent.

H. Silver, Esq.

Assayer in Charge.

U.S. Mint, Denver, Col.

9th. January 80

Sir;

In reply to your letter of 7th inst.— enclosing me from the Treasurer of the United States,— I have to inform you that the number of miles charged for between Philadelphia and Cincinnati is 668, which at 1/4 ₵ ₰ mile on $1000, would be $1.67; or $16.70, on $10.000.

I am Very respectfully

Your Obt Servt

Superintendent

M. H. White Esq.
Pres. Fourth National Bank
Cincinnati
Ohio.

Jany 8th 80

Sir:

I have the honor [illegible] herewith my a/c of Refining Expenses for the Months of December 1879.

I am

Very Respy Your Obt Servt

R. B. Thurlow

Supt

Hon W. B. Burchard

Director of the Mint

Washington

D.C.

Jany 9th 80

Sir;

I have the honor to enclose herewith my a/c- "Expenses of Manufacture Standard Silver Dollar" for the Month of December 1879.

I am

Very Respy Yours

Landon Norton

Supt

Hon H. R. Burchard

Director of the Mint

Washington

DC.

Jany 9th 80

Sir

In compliance with your request of the 8th inst, and in return for the $50.00 enclosed therein I send by Adams Express fifty dollars in half dollars of the coinage of 1879.

Very respectfully
Your obt
Superintendent

Thos. C. Acton Esq.
Supt. U. S. Assay Office
New York
N. Y.

Mint of the United States at Philadelphia,

January 10th, 1880

Sir.

I have the honor to request that you will cause a draft to be issued in my favor for the Sum of Ten Thousand (10.000) Dollars, chargeable to the "Appropriation for the Coinage of Standard Silver Dollars" the same to be used to meet the incurred expenses of this Mint, incident thereto.

I am,

Very Respectfully

J. Loudon Norris

M. Supt.

Hon

H. R. Burchard

Director of the Mint

Washington. D.C.

Mint of the United States at Philadelphia,

Janry. 10th, 1880

Sir,

I draw this day Check No. 1168, favor J & W. Seligman & Co. for $114,000. 1169 " J. D. Colgate & Co. " 154,000. in payment for Silver Bullion.

I am,

Very Respectfully

Edward Roberts

Supt.

Hon. Thos Hillhouse

Asst. Treasurer U. S.

New York

Jany 10th 00

Sir;

I have the honor to report the approximate amount of Silver Bullion on hand at the close of business this day to be 3.074.140.27 Standard ounces together with 212.000.00 fine ounces unassayed

Ours

Very Respectfully
Theodore Thomas
Superintendent

Hon. H. C. Burchard
Director of the Mint
Washington
D C.

Jan. 10th 80

Sir,

I have the honor to enclose C/D. No 5110 of the U. S. Assistant Treasurer at Philadelphia, for $76.50. being for assay charges, paid to the assayer, during the quarter ending Dec. 31st, 1879. as specified in the enclosed statement.

Very respectfully,
Your obedient servant,
A. Loudon Snowden
Superintendent.

Hon. Horatio C. Burchard.
Director of the Mint.
Washington D.C.

Jan. 10th 80

Sir.

I have the honor to enclose duplicate receipted bills of R. A. McClure for $51,53 being for various coins furnished for the Cabinet of this Mint.

Very respectfully.

Your obedient servant.

A. Loudenslager

Superintendent.

Hon. Horatio C. Burchard.

Director of the Mint.

Washington, D.C.

Jan. 10th 80

Sir,

I have the honor to enclose the Coiner's report of coinage executed for the week ending Jan. 10th, 1880.

Very respectfully,
Your obedient servant,
A. Loudon Snowden
Superintendent.

Hon. Horatio C. Burchard.
Director of the Mint.
Washington, D. C.

10th Jany 80

Sir,

I have to request that you will indicate to me the number of sets of the Stella Dollar and other Coins ordered by the Committee on Coinage, that you desire me to forward to Washington

Very respectfully
Your Obedient Servant
A. Loudon Snowden
Superintendent

Hon. Horatio C. Burchard
Director of the Mint
Washington
D.C.

10th Janᵛ 80

My dear Sir

I enclose oath of office for James C. Smith. Please have him take this before a Notary Public & report for duty at 8 O'clock Monday morning, bringing oath with him.

Very truly yours

S. Woodburn Lane

Capt H. Lane

Reader Office

10th January 80

Sir;-

In pursuance of the nominations of the Coiner herein enclosed, I have appointed Joseph Hilferty and George W. McFarland, natives and residents of the State of Pennsylvania, as helpers in the Coiners department of this Mint, each at a compensation of $2.75 per diem;

Miss Alida W. Townsend, a native and resident of the State of New Jersey, Miss Rosalie A. Horner, Miss Kate A. Lewis, Miss Pauline Blake, and Mrs L.C. Moore, natives and residents of the State of Pennsylvania, as adjusters in the same department at a compensation, each, of $1.75 per diem; and

Archibald L. Frazier, a native and resident of the State of Pennsylvania, as Cutter

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in the same department, at a compensation of $2.90 p diem ; — all to date from confirmation, and respectfully submit the same for approval under Section 3504, revised Statutes.

Hilferty and McFarland, served for the full term of four years in the late war

Very respectfully

Your obedient Servant

Horace Nordlie

Superintendent

Hon. Horatio C. Burchard

Director of the Mint

Washington

D.C.

12th. Jany 80

Sir,

In pursuance of the nomination of the Comr enclosed on 10th. inst. I have appointed Mrs. Virginia Schofield, a native and resident of the State of Pennsylvania, as an adjuster in the Miners department, at a compensation of $1.75 per diem., to date from confirmation, and respectfully submit the same for approval under Section 3504, revised Statutes

Very respectfully
Your obedient Servant
Rodgers Bowles
Superintendent

Hon. Horatio C. Burchard
Director of the Mint
Washington D.C.

12th Jany 80

Sir;

In reply to your letter of 10th. inst. enclosing invoice No 1, for One million, one thousand eight hundred and seventy five dollars and forty Cents ($1.001,875.40) is received.

The mode of transmitting which you suggest is entirely satisfactory

I am very respectfully your

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Superintendent

Hon. Thomas C. Acton

Superintendent U.S. Assay Office

New York

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12th Jan'y 80

My dear Sir/

I am in receipt of yours of the 10th inst. in relation to David K. Hartzell, and in reply I beg to say that he is receiving the same wages that is paid to all the employés in the branch of the work to which he is connected.

On my assuming charge of this institution I revised the rolls and gave to each employé in the same class the same compensation. To increase Hartzel's compensation above the wages that are paid to those doing similar work, would be an injustice, which I know you would not desire to be a party to. If Hartzell wrote to you or his friends requesting an increase, he knew he was requesting that which would be

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unjust to his fellow workmen, and if he had known my as well as he ought to know me, he would have further known that I would not make any increase in the wages of one man which would be an injustice to all those who were employed with him

Regretting that under the circumstances, it is impossible to comply with the request made

I am very truly yours

Thomas Howard

Superintendent

Hon. Benjamin Butterworth

House of Representatives

Washington

D.C.

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10th Jan'y 80

Sir,-

I have the honor to inform you that the requisition for six months supply of Stationery made on Dec. 2nd. 1879, was partially filled by the reception of a certain number of articles on Jan'y 8th. 1880

I herewith enclose a list of articles which were on my requisition, but which have not been received, and do not indeed appear on the invoice forwarded from the Bureau of Stationery.

250 Assorted size, tablets
500 blanks, old Cleaned Coin to Cashier, original
500 " " " " " " , duplicate
500 " " " " " " , triplicate,
as per sample
1000 Depositors blanks
300 Movement of Standard Silver dollars

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500 Memorandum of Silver bullion deposited
1000 " " Gold " "
5000 " Silver " purchased
25 Officers & Clerks payrolls
250 Assay Department Blanks, as per sample
2000 Certificates of Gold Deposits
2 dy Pass Books
500 Silver Deposit and Certificate blanks
500 Gold " " " "
½ Rm. Department of Silver bullion, like sample
1000 Envelopes No. 6
1 Rm. bills printed as per sample
1 " Silver Melting " "
1 " Requisition ordinary amount
3 Memorandum books, as per sample
2 Rms. of Manilla Paper
1 Gross assorted Congress tie envelopes

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2 doz plain inkstands with hinge Covers
1 " box wood rulers 18 in. long

Will you have the kindness to expedite as far as possible, the preparation and delivery of the articles above mentioned?

Very respectfully
Your obedient Servant
Logan Hurdle
Superintendant

Hon: Horatio C. Burchard
Director of the Mint
Washington
D. C.

January 12th 80

Supt. Nl. Assay Office, New York.
Do the gold referred to, on Bullion Fund or Deposit, ofc. Amount.

A. Loudon Snowden
Supt

January 12th 1880

Sir,

I have the honor to report the Bullion Fund at the close of business on the 10th inst at $15.173.199.95

Subdivided approximately as follows viz:

| | |
|---|---|
| Gold Coin | $2.260.344.70 |
| Gold Bullion | 7.432.057.86 |
| Silver Coin | 2.558.766.39 |
| Silver Bullion | 2.922.628.00 |
| Total as above | $15.173.199.95 |

I am

Very Respectfully

Your Obt. Servt.

Edward Burdine

Director of the Mint

Washington

D.C.

Mint of the United States at Philadelphia,

Jany 12th 1880

Sir.

I draw this day Check No.
1170 favor Laidlaw & Co. for $3[illegible].000.
1171 - J. B. Colgate & Co. 30,[illegible]76.46
1173 - [illegible] 6,318.49
1172 - J. H. Seligman & Co. 2760.81
in payment for Silver Bullion.

Very Respectfully

[illegible]
Supt.

Hon. Thos. Hillhouse
Asst. Treas U.S.
New York

12th. Jany 80

Sir

I have the honor to inform you that Miss Angelina Price having resigned from the Mint, her name will be dropped from the rolls on and after the first instant

I am very respectfully
Your Obedient Servant
Harriet Crawley
Superintendent

Hon. Chas. A. Burchard
Director of the Mint
Washington
D.C.

Sir,

12th Jany 80

I have the honor to enclose the oath of office of James R. Smith recently appointed Helper in the Melting & Refiners Department in this Mint

Very respectfully
Your Obedient Servant
Eckfeldt Dunbar
Superintendent

Lieut Ord
Chief of the Mint
Washington
D.C.

12th. Jany 80

Sir,

I have received the first invoice of a delivery of five million dollars in gold bullion from the Assay office at New York. The Superintendent requests payment in double eagles. In view of your orders for Eagles and half eagles it will be impossible to meet his demand.

I would therefore respectfully request that a transfer be made of the amount named to the bullion Fund of this Mint and thus obviate the necessity of returning the Coin value to the assay office.

Please telegraph answer so that the proper entries may be made on our books on the receipt of the first of this bullion which will arrive this P.M.

Very respectfully
Your Obedient Servant

Hon: Horatio C. Burchard
Director of the Mint
Washington DC

Superintendent

Jan. 13th 80

Director of Mint, Washington, D. C.
Seligman sends over fifteen thousand ounces silver excess. What shall be done.

W. London Snowden.
Supt U. S. Mint.

Government notes.

Jany 13th 80.

Laidlaw, Mer

New York
Jany 8— 80.

40.939.70
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$1.0418 46.672.80

Loudon Snowden

Mint of the United States at Philadelphia.

Jany 13th 1870

Sir.

I draw on you this day the following checks, viz:

| Nos | Amounts | Favor |
|---|---|---|
| 1174 | $ 9692.20 | Laidlaw & Co |
| 1175 | 9.000 — | Julius Walter. |
| 1176 | 19.000 — | J. B. Colgate & Co. |
| 1177 | 20.000 — | J. W. Seligman & Co |

all payable in Std Silver Dollars for Silver Bullion purchased

I am

Very Respectfully

Your Obt Servt

Thos. Hillhouse

Asst Dr U.S.

New York

12th January 80

Sir,

I have the honor to enclose the report of the assayer of the Standard Silver dollar sent for special assay to the Mint at New Orleans, for the month of January 1880

Very respectfully
Your obedient Servant
[illegible]
Superintendent

Hon. Horatio C. Burchard
Director of the Mint
Washington
D.C.

1284 Jany 30

Sir,

I have the honor to enclose the report of the assays on the Standard Silver dollar Cast from your mint for special assay for the month of January 1850, and to return in its place another piece.

Very respectfully

Your obedient Servant

Superintendent

Hon. H. J. Foote

Superintendent U.S. Mint

Philadelphia

13th Jan.

Sir,

In reply to your letter of the 9th inst. I beg to say, that I will have the weights accurately tested on next Sunday, which is the only day that the work can be done, not on account of the procedure upon the adjuster of stables, but in further consideration of the fact, that on week days the amount of attention in the building prevents the accuracy in the work that might be characterize it.

I will submit a report of the [illegible] deviations

Very respectfully

John L. Ledoux, Jr.

Jan. 15th 1870

Sir,

I have the honor to request that you will pay the Treasurer of the U. S. Mint at Denver a Draft for the sum of $50,000 now standing to the credit of Minor Coins redeemed.

Very respectfully,
Your obedient servant,
[illegible]
Superintendent.

Horatio C. Burchard.
Director of the Mint.
Washington D. C.

1314. Jany 80

Sir,

I & Colgate, 47 Wall Street, New York, apply for blank invoices for silver bullion sold to the Government.

Please send them a supply?

Very respectfully

Your Obt Servt

Superintendent

Hon: Horatio C Burchard

Director of the Mint

Washington

D.C.

13th Jany 80

Sir:

I have the honor to request that you will direct that a stock of blank Oaths of office be sent to this Mint, those on hand being almost exhausted

Very respectfully
Your Obedient Servant
R. Eckfeldt
Superintendent

Hon Horatio C. Burchard
Director of the Mint
Washington
D.C.

Mint of the United States at Philadelphia,

Jan. 13th, 1880.

Sir,

I have the honor to acknowledge the receipt of one package of Gold Bullion on Government account, & one package containing an unparted bar, being deductions for Melting, Assaying & Stamping deposits for 3rd & 4th Quarters, 1879, as per your letters of advice & schedule of Jan. 7th 1880.

The value of this bar, when ascertained, will be deposited in your name, as you request, & the duplicate D/D forwarded to you. The original will be sent as required by the first mails to the Department.

Very respectfully yours

A. London Snowden

Superintendent.

H. Silver, Esq.
Assayer in charge.
U. S. Mint, Denver, Col.

13th Jany 80

Sir;

You will admit Adolph Westermaier adjuster of Sales to this Mint, on Sunday morning the 18th. inst. for the purpose of adjusting the Standard weights in the Cabinet

Respectfully
Your Obt
Louis Norton
Superintendent

Capt Bank

Janry 14th 80

J & W. Seligman & Co

N.Y.

Janry 8th 80

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Geo. Peabody

Janiy 14th 80

Jos. O. Seligman & Co

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Janiy 8th 80

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Horace Fraser

Janry 11th 80

Julius Mackey.

New York

Janry 8th 80

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$11410 11.415.30

charge $2.75 - check for Net Amt $11.412.55

London Morlen

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Mint of the United States at Philadelphia,

Jany 14th, 1880.

Sir,

I draw on you this day the following checks, viz:

| Nos | Amounts | Favor |
|---|---|---|
| 1178 | $2,412.55 | Julius Mosler. |
| 1179 | 4969.67 | J.B. Colgate & Co |
| 1180 | 6,077.04 | J.W. Seligman & Co |

all payable in Standard Silver Dollars for Silver Bullion purchased

from

Very Respy Yours

A. Loudon Snowden

Supt

Hon Thos Hillhouse

Asst Treas U.S.

New York

14th. January 60

Sir;

I have the honor to request that you will direct that a supply of new pecuniary stamps be furnished to this department as those which were received only a few weeks ago are so much worn by daily use, that the impression which they make is entirely illegible

Very respectfully

Your obedient Servant

Wm: Hinton Whitehouse

Disbursing Clerk

Treasury Department

D.C.

10 th July 80

Sir

I have the honor to acknowledge the receipt of Post Office Requisition, on Treasury Warrant, No 55 for $40.00 for the expenses of this district during the current month and for posting and Refining Rollers

Very respectfully
Your Obedient Servant
[signature]
Superintendent

To James Gilfillan
Treas. of the U. S.
Washington
D.C.

14th. January 80

Sir

I have the honor to enclose the following Statements:-

Statement of Silver purchased at this Mint from January 5th. to January 10th. inclusive:-

Statement of Gold and Silver of Domestic production deposited during the month of December 1879.

Statement of Deposits and Purchases of Gold and Silver Bullion during the Month of December 1879.

also Bars Manufactured.

Very respectfully

Your Obedient Servant

Superintendent

Hon: Horatio C. Burchard

Director of the Mint

Washington D.C.

14th. Jany 80

Sir

In reply to your letter of the 13th. inst. requesting "explanation of Voucher No. 9, bill of Baily, Banks, and Biddle for engraving silver and gold medals" I beg to state that on the 21st. of last November you returned to this office one gold and one silver Life Saving Medal for "correction in the Engraving"; the name on the medals returned was "Landesbury" instead of "Sandsbury". An effort was made to correct the inscription without doing the whole work over, but it was found to be so imperfect as not to be creditable and I had to have new medals struck and engraved

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Property

Voucher No 9 is returned receipted by the firm of Baily Banks & Biddle as requested

I have the honor to remain

Your obedient Servant

London Norris

Superintendent

Hon. Horatio C. Burchard

Director of the Mint

Washington

D.C.

14th Jan'y 80

Sir /

I herewith return the bill of L. P. Chilton, with my letter to the Superintendent of Adams Express and his endorsement, from which it would appear that the amount claimed, has been refunded to Chilton and I am

Very respectfully
Your obedient Servant
A. London Snowden
Superintendent

Hon: Horatio C. Burchard
Director of the Mint
Washington
D. C.

Jany 14th 80

Sir:

I have the honor to enclose herewith my Ac of "Ordinary Expenses" for the Month of December 1879.

I am

Very Respy Yours

Lovell Rumley

Supt

Hon H. C. Burchard

Director of the Mint

Washington

D.C.

U.S Mint, Philad
Jany 16. 1880

Respectfully returned to the Treasurer of the United States. The memoranda of the Cashier of this Mint, and the Adams Express Agent, show that the box of Coin was shipped on the 3rd. inst.; being Saturday, it was detayed in this City until Monday and probably was delivered to Mr. James H. Booth, at Girard, Kansas, a day or two after the date of this letter (10th. inst.)

London Purdie
Superintendent

Rec'd U.S. Mint. Philad. Jan. 15th/80

Jan. 15th 80

Sir.

In reply to your note of 14th inst. I have to inform you that the address of Mr. J. Laubat has been given me as:

Union Club.
No. 1. West 21st St.
Newyork.

Very respectfully.
J. L. Lebonte.
Chief Clerk.
for Supt.

Jules Rousseau, Esq.
64 Beaver St.
Newyork.

15th. January 18

Sir

I have the honor to enclose re-
ceipt for 25 Carbines and 100 ball car-
tridges, as requested in your letter of 11th
inst.

Very respectfully
Your Obdt. Servt
Lucius Tuttle
Superintendent

Hon: John P. Hawley
Asst. Sec: of the Treasury
Washington
D.C.

Jan. 15th 1850

Sir,

I have the honor to acknowledge the receipt of invoice No. 2 of gold bullion from the U.S. Assay Office, at Newyork, in accordance with your letter of advice & schedule of 13th inst.

Very respectfully.

Your obedient servant.

Superintendent.

Thos. L. Ogden, Esq.

Superintendent U.S. Assay Office

Newyork.

Mint of the United States at Philadelphia,

Jan. 15th, 1880.

Sir.

I enclose two receipts of Adams Express Co. as follows:

No. 1, for $569,381,86 in full payment of invoice #20 of gold bullion from U.S. Assay Office; Paid in half eagles, by order of the Director of the Mint, Jan. 14th 1880.

No. 2. for $80, being the following coins of January, reserved at this Mint for special assay.

| | | |
|---|---|---|
| 5 | Standard Silver dollars | $5. |
| 5 | Eagles | 50. |
| 5 | Half Eagles | 25. |

Very respectfully.

Your obedient servant.

Thos. L. Acton. Esq.
Supt U.S. Assay Office.
New York.

A. Loudon Snowden
Superintendent.

15th. Jan'y 80

Sir/

I have the hona to acknowledge the receipt of package of blank oaths from your office

Very respectfully
Your Obedient Servant
Louis Heustis
Superintendent

Hon: Horatio C Burchard
Dirctor of the Mint
Washington
D.C.

Mint of the United States at Philadelphia,

Jany 15th, 1880.

Sir;

I draw on you this day check No 1181 - for $12.982.98 - favor Messrs J.B. Colgate & Co - payable in Standard Silver Dollars for Silver Bullion purchased.

I am

Very Respectfully

Your Obt Servt

Landon Ward

Supt

Hon Thos Hillhouse

Asst Treas U.S.

New York

Jany 15th 80.

Sir;

Referring to your telegram of 13th inst authorizing me to receive from Messrs J & W. Seligman & Co. Nrs. 15,000 ozs Silver Bullion in addition to the amount paid by them on the 8th inst. I beg to say that I have received no letter confirming the same.

If you deem it of sufficient importance, will you have the kindness to forward one at your earliest convenience.

I am

Very Respectfully Yours
R. Bowen Moorsley
Supt

Hon Hale Burchard
Director of the Mint
Washington. DC

15th January 80

Sir,

I have the honor to acknowledge the receipt per mail of one box assay coins for the fourth quarter of the year 1879, as per your letter of advice of Dec'r 6. 1880

I am Very Respectfully
Your Obt Servt
Lindon Bowers
Superintendent

H. L. Dodge Esq
Superintendent U.S. Mint
San Francisco
Cal.

15th Jan'y 80

Sir;

I have the honor to acknowledge the receipt per mail of two boxes of Assay Coins for the fourth quarter of the year 1879, as per your letter of advice of Jan'y 6th. 1880

I am Very respectfully yours

Horace Thurber

Superintendent

James Crawford Esqr.

Superintendent U. S. Mint

Carson

Nevada

Mint of the United States at Philadelphia,

Jan. 15th, 1880

Sir.

I have the honor to enclose Memoranda: No. 91. Gold bullion from your Mint, purchased on Government a/c.

No. 92. One bar for deductions on Melting, Assaying & stamping deposits for 3rd & 4th quarters. 1879.

The c/d for 301,90, the value of the latter will be forwarded to you tomorrow.

Very respectfully.

Your obedient servant

Linderman

Superintendent.

H. Silver, Esq.

Assayer in charge.

U.S. Mint.

Denver, Col.

Mint of the United States at Philadelphia,

15th. January, 1880.

Sir;

Would you be kind enough to have the back lists of Towns, to which Adams Express Company is carrying silver, returned, so that the December accounts may be made up?

Very respectfully,

Your Obedient Servant,

A. Loudon Snowden

Superintendent

Hon. Horatio C. Burchard

Director of the Mint

Washington

D. C.

Mint of the United States at Philadelphia,

Jan. 16th, 1880

Sir.

I have the honor to enclose Memorandes #91 of Gold Bullion purchased on Government a/c. from the U. S. Mint at Denver Col. #92 Gold bullions representing the deductions for melting, assaying & stamping deposits, during the 3rd & 4th quarters of 1879.

Also C/D of the Asst. Treasurer U. S. at Philadelphia, No. 5114 for #301,90, being the coin value of deposit #92, above mentioned.

Have the kindness to forward the C/D to the Treasurer, U. S. as usual. The duplicate has been sent to the assayer in charge, U. S. Mint, Denver, Col.

Very respectfully yours,

L. Loudon Snowden

Supt.

Hon. Horatio C. Burchard.
Director of the Mint.
Washington, D. C.

Mint of the United States at Philadelphia,

Jan. 16th, 1880.

Sir.

I enclose the duplicate of B/D of the U. S. Assistant Treasurer at Philadelphia for $301.90, deposited in your name to the credit of the Treasurer U. S. being on a/c of deductions for melting, assaying & stamping deposits, during the 3rd & 4th quarters of 1879.

No. 5114.

Very respectfully.

Your obedient servant,

Reuben Rowley

Superintendent.

H. Silver, Esq.

Assayer in Charge.

U. S. Mint.

Denver, Col°

Mint of the United States at Philadelphia.

16th January 1880

Sir,

I have the honor to acknowledge the receipt of S/O No 9128, for $10.000 to be sent by registered mail in 57 Nickel pieces to the Assistant Treasurer of the United States, at San Francisco.

The boxes will be ready for delivery to the Post Master in from two to three days.

Very Respectfully,
Your Obedient Servant,
A. Loudon Snowden
" "
Superintendent

Hon. Horatio C. Burchard
Director of the Mint
Washington
D.C.

Mint of the United States at Philadelphia,

16th January, 1880.

Sir,

I have the honor to request that the Treasurer of the United States be asked to transfer the further amount of fifty thousand Dollars ($50.000.-) in five cent nickel pieces, to this Mint

Very respectfully
Your Obedient Servant
A. Loudon Snowden
Superintendent

Hon. Horatio C. Burchard
Director of the Mint
Washington
D.C.

January 17th 80

J. B. Colgate & Co.

New York

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Jany 17th 80

J & H. Seligman

Co. New York,

13th unit 80

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H Hudnut Thornley

Jany 17th 70

Sir:

I have the honor to report the appropriated amount of Silver Bullion on hand at the close of business this day to be 3.429.567.89 Standard ounces together with 294.000 Gross ounces unassayed

Very Respectfully
R London Moodey
Supt

Hon. H. C. Burchard
Director of the Mint
Washington
D.C.

Mint of the United States at Philadelphia,

January 6th 1880

Sir.

I draw this day Check No. 1182 favor Haskey & Cronise for $ 269.000 in payment for Silver Purchases.

Yours,

Very Respectfully

Supt

Hon. Thos. S. Hillhouse
Asst Treasurer U.S.
New York.

Jan. 14th 1880

Sir,

I enclose Adams Express receipt No. 3. for gold coin, being in full payment of invoices 22 & 23 gold bullion deposited by the U.S. Assay Office at New York.

The payments, by order of the Director of the Mint, Jan. 16th, 1880 are made as follows:

| | | |
|---|---|---|
| Invoice 22, | eagles | $ 244,003.24. |
| " 23, | half eagles | 360,545.36. |
| | | $ 604,548.60 |

Very respectfully,

Hon. L. Q. Colton, Esq. Your obedient servant,

Asst. U.S. Treas. Office.

Superintendent.

Jan. 17th

Sir.

I have the honor to enclose the Coiner's report of coinage executed during the week ending Jan. 17th 1880.

Very respectfully.

Your obedient Servant.

Superintendent.

Hon. Horatio C. Burchard.

Director of the Mint.

Washington D. C.

17th January, 1880

Sir,

I have the honor to enclose the following reports, -

Bullion operations in the Melter & Refiners department of this Mint for the month of December 1879

Gold melting for the same month

Silver " " " " "

Very respectfully

Your Obedient Servant

Superintendent

Hon. Horatio C. Burchard

Director of the Mint

Washington

D.C.

17th. Jany. 1880

Sir,

I have the honor to enclose the oaths of office of

Joseph Helferty and George W. McFarland, recently appointed Helpers in the Coinage Department of this Mint;

Archibald L. Frazier, cutter in the same Department, and

Miss Alida A. Simmons, Miss Rosalie N. Hornet, Mrs Kate Adams, Miss Pauline Blake, & Mrs Virginia Schofield, as Adjusters in the same department

Very respectfully
Your obedient Servant
R. Roberts
Superintendent

Hon Hon S. Bundard
Secty of the Mint
Washington D.C.

U. S. Mint, Phila.
Jany 17th 1880

Respectfully returned to the Treasurer U. S. Two thousand ($2000.-) dollars in one cent pieces can be shipped without delay on the receipt of a transfer order

A. Loudon Snowden
Superintendent

Mint of the United States at Philadelphia,

Jan. 17th, 1880.

Sir.

I have the honor to acknowledge the receipt of remittance No. 1 of gold bullion from your office, as per letter of advice enclosing schedule, of 15th inst.

Very respectfully,
Your obedient servant.
Linderman
Superintendent.

Colonel J. Bowles, Esq.
U.S. Assayer.
Charlotte, N.C.

Mint of the United States at Philadelphia,

19th Jany, 1880.

Sir:

I have the honor to enclose the oath of office of Miss Cornelia L. Moore recently appointed Assistant in the Coiners department in this Mint

Very respectfully
Your obedient Servant
A. London Snowden
Supt

Hon Horatio C. Burchard
Director of the Mint
Washington
D.C.

January 14th 1880

Sir.

The sample of ore given to you by Senator Windom, & sent by mail, with your letter of 13th inst. has been carefully assayed & is found to contain:

Silver, 374 oz per ton.
Gold trace.

Very respectfully,
Your obedient servant.

Superintendent.

Hon. Horatio C. Burchard,
Director of the Mint.
Washington, D. C.

19th January 0

Sir,

In further reference to your letter of 9th inst. I have the honor to enclose herewith, a schedule setting forth the result of an examination into the set of weights and measures employed in this institution.

You will see, that while four (4) of the weights are accurate, the others are diverse; the 500 gr. weight differs as much as three grains and one tenth.

I am therefore respectfully recommend in view of the condition of this set of weights, that a new set be furnished by the Bureau of Weights & Measures

The result of the test which I

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enclose to you was arrived at by the use of the ten copies of Standard troy pound, furnished some years ago by the Bureau of Weights and Measures. The accuracy of the result I do not believe can be questioned,

I am very respectfully
Your Obedient Servant,
A. Loudon Snowden
Superintendent

Hon. Horatio C. Burchard
Director of the Mint
Washington
D.C.

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Results of the examination of Standard ounce weights.

| | | |
|---|---|---|
| 1 oz. | — 0.01 | grains |
| 2 " | Correct | |
| 3 " | — 0.05 | " |
| 5 " | — 0.02 | " |
| 10 " | — 0.1 | |
| 20 " | Correct | |
| 30 " | + 0.1 | " |
| 40 " | Correct | |
| 50 " | " | |
| 100 " | — 0.35 | " |
| 200 " | — 0.78 | " |
| 300 " | — 1.5 | " |
| 400 " | — 1.3 | " |
| 500 " | — 3.1 | " |

Mint of the United States at Philadelphia,

January 19th, 1880.

Sir,

I have the honor to enclose, for transmittal to the Treasurer U.S. C/D No. 5116, of the U.S. Assistant Treasurer at Philadelphia, for ($50,000) fifty thousand dollars, on a/c of Minor coinage profits.

Very respectfully,
Your obedient servant,
John L. Lebonte,
acting Superintendent

Hon. Horatio C. Burchard,
Director of the Mint,
Washington, D.C.

Jany 19th 80

Sir;

I have the honor to report the Bullion Fund at the close of business on the 14th inst at $14202.199.95: subdivided approximately as follows viz;

| | |
|---|---|
| Gold Coin | $2,428.936.00 |
| Gold Bullion | 6.361.969.58 |
| Silver Coin | 2.041.475.64 |
| Silver Bullion | 3.369.818.73 |
| Totals as above | $14202.199.95 |

Very Respectfully Yours

Chief

Hon W.S. Burchard
Director of the Mint
Washington
D.C.

Mint of the United States at Philadelphia,

20th. Jan'y, 1880

Sir

I have the honor to acknowledge the receipt of your letter of 19th inst. enclosing draft No. 9316 for the sum of Ten thousand Dollars ($10,000) from the appropriation for the coinage of Standard Silver Dollars

Very respectfully
Your obedient Servant
John L. LeConte,
Actng Superintendent

Hon. Jas Gilfillan
Treasurer, United States
Washington
D.C.

Jany 20th 80

Sir:

In reply to your favor of 19th inst calling my attention to an apparent overpayment of 64¢ in voucher No 707 – bill of Thos Williams for 160 – of My Ordinary Estimate for Dec 1879: I have to say that the item "208 ft. Yellow pine flooring – with the amount as paid for same $1.03 is correct – the price per foot being 0½¢ & not 0¾¢ as stated in your letter.

I notice that the figures in the duplicate bill in my possession are somewhat vague, & those in the original may be more so thereby causing an uncertainty in deciphering the same; for the first & fourth items of the bill, you will find the fractions to be made in a similar manner

to

that of the Smith item (the one referred to in your letter) while in the eleventh item you will notice that the figure 2 is made in the same manner as those in the item above named

Yours

Very Respectfully Yours
John L. LeConte,
Acting Supt

Hon. H. C. Burchard
Director of the Mint
Washington
D.C.

Mint of the United States at Philadelphia,

Janʸ 20th, 1880

Sir.

I draw this day Check No. 1183 Favor Hardy & Company for $72.52 74 in Payment for Silver Purchases.

I am

Very Respectfully

Supt.

Hon. Thos. S. Hillhouse
Asst. Treas. U.S.
New York.

Janʸ 20th 80

Standay & Cromise

New York

15th inst 80

300.653.81
297.728.40
341.660.40

#1377

Charges 1 pr 66

Janʸ. 21ˢᵗ 80

Sir

I have the honor to inform you that the Sum of Four hundred thousand (400.000) Standard Silver Dollars may be transferred from the Silver Profit Fund of this Mint to the Treasury of the United States, on a/c. of Profits on the Coinage of the Standard Silver Dollar.

I am
Very Respectfully
Your obt. Servt.
H. London Thomas
Supt.

Hon. H. C. Burchard
Director of the Mint
Washington
D.C.

21 January [illegible]

Sir:

Will you be kind enough to for=
ward blank oath to be subscribed to
by Mr Charles E. Lester, confirmed as
Surgeon of this Mint?

I suppose he does not require
to give a bond as he has no pecuniary
responsibility upon him.

Will you be good enough to do
this at your convenience?

I am very respectfully
Your Obt Servt
[illegible]
Superintendent

Hon: Hiram R. Revels
Director of the Mint
Washington
D.C.

21st. Jany 0

Sir

I have the honor to inform you that the supply of Gold Coin on hand is sufficient to begin the payment of the invoices due the New York Assay office as soon as you indicate the denominations in which they are to be paid

Very respectfully,

Your obedient Servant

Superintendent

Hon. Hugh McCulloch

Secretary of the Treasury

Washington

D. C.

Mint of the United States at Philadelphia.

21st Jany 1880

Sir /

I have the honor to enclose the reports of the Melter and Refiner for the month of November 1879

Very respectfully

Your Obedt Servant

Superintendent

Hon. Horace C. Burchard

Director of the Mint

Washington

Mint of the United States at Philadelphia,

21st January 1880.

Sir/

I have the honor to acknowledge the receipt of your letter of 20th. inst. in relation to furnishing a new set of Weights from the Bureau of Weights & Measures to this Mint (and also in relation to sending a competent person from the same Bureau, to supervise the adjustment of the present weights, until the others are received, and in reply beg to say, that the sooner such person is sent the better. I will make arrangements to prevent visitors from entering the Cabinet on the day he may arrive here for duty, if you will be kind enough to indicate at what time he will probably reach the Mint

I am respectfully your obedient Servant

A. Loudon Snowden

Superintendent

Hon: Horatio C. Burchard
Director of the Mint
Washington D.C.

Mint of the United States at Philadelphia,

Jan. 22nd, 1880.

Sir,

I have the honor to acknowledge the receipt of twenty three bags of Gold bullion, as per Invoice #5 & Express receipt enclosed in your letter of advice of 20th inst.

Very respectfully,

Your obedient Servant

Superintendent.

Thos. S. Sexton, Esq.

Supt U. S. Assay Office,

New York.

Mint of the United States at Philadelphia.

22nd January 1880

Sir/

I have the honor to enclose memorandum No. 120 of gold bullion received from the United States Assay Office at Charlotte N. Ca.

Very respectfully
Your Obedient Servant
[illegible]
Superintendent

Hon Horatio C. Burchard
Director of the Mint
Washington
DC

Mint of the United States at Philadelphia,

22nd January, 1880.

Sir/

I have the honor to enclose Memorandum No 120 of Gold bullion, being remittance No 1, received from your office as per letter of advice and Schedule of 15th. inst.

Very respectfully Your
A. Loudon Snowden
Superintendent

E. J. Cowles Esq
Supt. U. S. Assay Office
Charlotte
N. Ca

22nd January 1880

My dear Preston

I return herewith the result of the Quartz Rock here a few days ago. It has yielded more than I anticipated.

Hoping that it may be satisfactory to you

I remain

Very truly your friend

A. Gordon Kinsley

Hon R. E. Preston
U.S. Mint Washington D.C.

Mint of the United States at Philadelphia,

22nd January 1880

Sir/

In view of the fact that the fifty thousand pounds of one cent blanks recently ordered under proposals are nearly all delivered, and the orders for one cent coins continuing, I would request that authority be granted me to advertise for additional supply of one hundred thousand pounds (100.000) of said blanks for the purpose of meeting the present orders on hand and those which are daily received

The pressure for this coin comes from all sections of the country and should be met. This can only be done, as I have heretofore indicated by the purchase of these blanks

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Hoping to receive an early and favorable reply

I remain Very respectfully
Your Obedient Servant
Robert Browder
Superintendent

Hon. Horatio C. Burchard
Director of the Mint
Washington
D. C.

Mint of the United States at Philadelphia,

Jan. 23d, 1880.

Sir.

I have the honor to enclose the Statement of Silver purchased at this Mint from Jan. 12th — 14th, 1880.

Very respectfully.

Your obedient Servant,

Linderman

Superintendent.

Hon. Horatio C. Burchard,

Director of the Mint,

Washington, D. C.

Mint of the United States at Philadelphia.

24th Jany, 1880

Sir,

I send by to-day's Express, in conformity with your instructions, Twenty five (25) Stellar four Dollar ($4.-) pieces; Twenty five (25) Goloid dollars, and Twenty five (25) Metric dollars.

I also enclose bill from the Assayer for $152.60, which is the intrinsic value of the same,

I am with respect,

Very truly your Obedient Servant

Roudon Norris

Superintendent

Hon. Horatio C. Burchard

Director of the Mint

Washington, D.C.

Mint of the United States at Philadelphia,

Janᵧ 24th 1850

Sir.

I draw this day Check No.
1184 favor J.B. Colgate & Co. for $38.000.
1185 " Handy & Cromie . 46.000.
1186 " J & W. Seligman & Co. 48.000.
in payment for Silver Bullion.

I am,
Very Respectfully
Your Obt Servt
Robert Patterson
Dr.
Supt.

Hon. Thos. Hillhouse
Asst. Treas. U.S.
New York

Mint of the United States at Philadelphia.

24th. Jan'y, 1880.

Sir,

I have the honor to acknowledge the receipt of your letter in relation to striking fifty copies of the "Henry" medal for distribution by the Smithsonian Institution, and in reply beg to say, that the dies of the Henry medal are the private property of Mr Barber, Engraver, and were prepared by him out of his own time, and with a view to disposing of them to the Smithsonian Institution. No action was taken by the Officers of the Institution and the medal dies remained in his hand.

The question now is, whether it is exactly fair to ask him to give his labor for nothing. I have no doubt if I were

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to ask him, he would lend them for the purpose you indicate, but I am not so sure that I have any right to ask him.

Do you not think it would be a good thing for the Smithsonian Institution to purchase these dies and keep them for all time as a memorial of one of the most illustrious and pure men ever connected with the service not only of that Institute but of any other in the Country?

I may add in conclusion that the actual cost of manufacturing the medals would be from 65 to 75¢

Awaiting your views on the subject

I remain
Very respectfully your obt. Svt.
Roudon Runtree
Superintendent

Horatio C. Burchard
Director of the Mint
Washington D.C.

Mint of the United States at Philadelphia,

24th. Jan'y 1880

Sir/

I have the honor to acknowledge the receipt of Table No 4 of distances to places to which silver coins have been forwarded by the Adams Express Company, from this Mint

Very respectfully
Your Obed't Servant
A. Loudon Snowden
Superintendent

Hon: Horatio C Burchard
Director of the Mint
Washington
D. C.

Jany 24th 80

Sir;

I have the honor to report the approximate amount of Silver Bullion on hand at the close of business this day to be $ 387,600.90 Standard Ounces, together with 143.500- Gross ounces now =assayed.

I am

Very Respy Yours

[illegible]

Supt

Hon. H. R. Linderman

Director of the Mint

Washington

D.C.

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